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Introduction

London's hosting of the 2012 Olympic Games and the heightened interest in sport that it generated offered a timely opportunity to research and record the capital's sporting heritage.

In February 2010, through its Historic Environment Enabling Programme, English Heritage therefore commissioned Malavan Media to undertake a comprehensive study of London's historic sporting assets.

Malavan Media was selected as a result of its experience in the field of sporting heritage as producer of the *Played in Britain* series, co-published with English Heritage publications since 2004. The series arose from work undertaken by Malavan Media and other parties in 2001 for the *Sporting Chance* project (commissioned by English Heritage North West Region as part of the cultural programme accompanying the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester).

Under the editorship of Simon Inglis – author of a number of books on sporting architecture and history, and consultant to such bodies as Sport England and the DCMS – *Played in Britain* has brought together experts from a number of specialist fields. These include Dr Ian Gordon (indoor swimming pools), Janet Smith (outdoor swimming pools), Dr Martin Polley (Olympic history), Arthur Taylor (traditional pub games), Hugh Hornby (traditional football games and bowls) and Lynn Pearson (architectural historian and decorative arts).

The series and its accompanying website, its events and overall research programme, have been managed by Jackie Spreckley, an experienced broadcaster, researcher and media administrator.

This directory complements the book *Played in London – Charting the Heritage of a City at Play*, published by English Heritage in September 2014. For details please see www.playedinbritain.co.uk

The directory is not intended as a complete list of all sports-related buildings in the capital. Rather it focuses on buildings and assets that research has shown to be of historic or architectural interest. Such buildings fall into four main categories, as follows:

- **buildings designed specifically for, and still in use for sporting or recreational activities**
  for example, the grandstand and pavilion at Craven Cottage football ground, built for Fulham Football Club in 1905 (14.6 and 14.7) and in use by the club ever since

  this category of building forms the majority of examples listed in the directory

- **buildings designed specifically for sporting or recreational activities but since adapted for other uses**
  for example, the swimming pool at City University London (20.5), now in use as a library

- **buildings designed specifically for sporting or recreational activities but which lie unused or derelict, and whose future remains in abeyance as of December 2014**
  for example, the former lawn tennis pavilion at Witanhurst, Highgate (6.4)

- **buildings designed for other uses, but since adapted for sporting or recreational use**
  for example, Camden Place, Chislehurst (5.8), an 18th century mansion now serving as a golf clubhouse

The directory is organised into sections focusing on each London borough, plus the City of London. Each section consists of two parts, as follows:

- **part one: buildings and assets of special historical, architectural or sporting significance**
  these more detailed entries are arranged either in order of date, or, where appropriate for ease of reference, are grouped geographically or thematically

  these entries concern buildings or assets pre dating 1980, unless deemed of special architectural significance

  all listed buildings fall within this category, with underlined links to the relevant entry in English Heritage's online National Heritage List

  all local listed buildings also fall within this category

- **part two: buildings and assets of limited historical or architectural significance**
  these briefer entries are arranged either according to the formation date of the associated club, or of the date of the site, or of a specified building on the site.

The map below shows the boundaries of **London's boroughs**, plus the old **county boundaries** (into which many sporting bodies are still divided) and, in red, the boundaries of the former **London County Council** (LCC), which governed the capital from 1889–1965.

Research for the *Played in London* project concluded in December 2014. However, *Played in Britain* and English Heritage welcome any corrections or additions to the directory.

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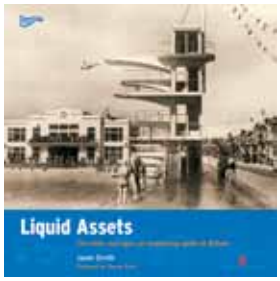
For additional guidance, see also English Heritage's Designation Listing Selection Guide on *Sports and Recreational Buildings* available to download from the English Heritage website.

The following *Played in Britain* studies also contain information relating to London's sporting heritage:

Played in London: charting the heritage of a city at play (2014)



Liquid Assets: the lidos and open air swimming pools of Britain (2005)

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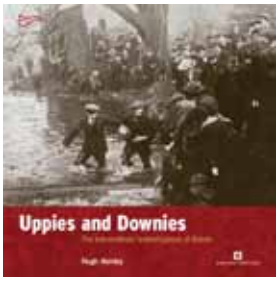
The British Olympics: Britain Olympic heritage 1612-2012 (2011)

Engineering Archie: Archibald Leitch: football ground designer (2005)



Uppies and Downies: The extraordinary football games of Britain (2008)

Played at the Pub: the pub games of Britain (2009)

1.0 Barking and Dagenham

1.1 former Barking Park Lido, now Splash Park
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1.1 Splash Park, former Barking Lido
Barking Park, Longbridge Road IG11 8UD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, diving, water polo
Owner: LB of Barking and Dagenham
Date: 1931
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 44877 85118
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former lido set in Barking Park, designed by Barking Borough Engineer & Surveyor RA Lay. Surviving elements include sections of perimeter walls, railings, two aerator fountains and sections of entrance block. Lido closed 1988. Converted into Splash Park in 2012, with swimming tank (165' x 90') infilled, new surface painted blue, with integrated water features. Also of note: brick gates at Longbridge Road entrance, commemorating opening of park as Barking Town Recreation Ground, 1898.

Also in Barking and Dagenham

1.2 Barking & Dagenham Stadium – the Marcus James Stand, b.2009 and seating 1,240
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1.2 London Borough of Barking & Dagenham Stadium
Victoria Road, Dagenham RM10 7XL
Ground of Dagenham & Redbridge FC, laid out in 1917 as works ground of Sterling Telephone & Electric Co. Taken over by Briggs Motor Bodies FC in 1932, followed by Dagenham FC in 1956. Redeveloped in phases since. Capacity 6,078. No buildings of historic note.

1.3 Jim Peters Stadium, former Mayesbrook Arena
Lodge Avenue, Dagenham RM8 2JR
One of many local authority athletics tracks built in post war period, set in Mayesbrook Park. Opened 1951. Renamed 2013 after Jim Peters (1918-1999), one of England's most successful long distance runners in the 1950s. Original 500 seat stand replaced in 2013 by indoor sports centre. On adjoining site is ground of **Barking FC** (formed c.1880), in use since 1973.

1.4 King George's Field
Marsh Green Road Recreation Ground, Dagenham RM10 2.1 acres, endowed 1953 by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. Heraldic entrance gates. One of 471 sites endowed 1935-65, 31 in London.

2.0 Barnet

2.1 Mill Hill School pavilion
© Gerry McManus

2.1 Mill Hill School pavilion
Wills Grove NW7

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket, rugby
Owner: Mill Hill School
Date: 1926
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22466 92203
Conservation Area: Mill Hill

Notes: Pavilion on elevated bank, serving 'The Park' playing field, in style representative of local Middlesex vernacular buildings with weatherboarding and clay tiled roof. Features central clocktower, scorer's box (disused), plaque to donor. Designed by Old Millhillian and former art teacher RSB Wyld ARIBA (architect also of Old Millhillians pavilion on Headstone Lane HA2). Interior has honours boards naming all First XI members since 1869. Popular location for filming (including Inspector Morse).

2.2 Summers Lane grandstand – east side, used by Finchley Rugby Club
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2.2 Summers Lane grandstand
Summers Lane, Finchley N12 OPD

Clubs: Wingate & Finchley FC (f.1874) / Finchley RFC (f.1925)
Sport/s: rugby, football
Owner: LB of Barnet / Wingate Trust
Date: 1930
Designation: Grade II (11.10.2013)
List entry: 1416297
NGR: TQ 26784 91363
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Britain's oldest cantilevered grandstand, early example of reinforced concrete, column-free structure, incorporating rare back-to-back design, seating 500 on each side. Built for Finchley Urban District Council with input from borough engineer Percival Harrison (ground layout) and Sir Owen Williams (concrete engineering) but original concept designer unknown. West side (occupied by football club) has unsympathetic canopy extension at front. East side (rugby club) has red plastic seating originally installed at the Arsenal Stadium, Highbury. The 1960s single storey extension to south of stand not part of listing.

2.3 Copthall Stadium / Allianz Park grandstand
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2.3 Copthall Stadium / Allianz Park grandstand
Greenlands Lane NW4 1RL

Clubs: Shaftesbury Barnet Harriers AC (f.1897/1867) and Saracens FC (f.1876)
Sport/s: athletics, rugby
Owner: LB of Barnet
Date: 1964
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23055 90883
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Striking reinforced concrete grandstand seating 650 on upper deck, with cable-stayed roof, designed by PJ Whittle for Hendon Borough Council, under Borough Engineer FJ Cave. One of many multi-purpose athletics/sports stadiums built by local authorities in 1960s. Opened by Duke of Edinburgh on July 17 1964. Houses headquarters of athletics club and training facilities. Since 2013 stadium has been refurbished and rebranded by Saracens FC (rugby union club) for winter use, with demountable seats covering track and new 4,800 seat stand on east side (Roberts Limbrick Architects). Also on site is **Barnet Copthall Leisure Centre** (1977), a nine hole golf course and driving range, playing fields and changing rooms (mid 1960s).

Also in Barnet

2.4 Old Fold Manor Golf Club (f.1910)
Old Fold Lane, Hadley Green EN5 4QN
Golf clubhouse in two Grade II c.1820 brick houses
List entry: 1064882. Part of golf course occupies site of Battle of Barnet (1471).

2.5 Virgin Active
260 Hendon Way, Hendon NW4 3NL
Fitness centre in former cinema (1932-97) designed by GE McLeavy of Henry F Webb & Ash.

2.6 King George's Field
Barnet Lane, Totteridge EN5
102.00 acre site, endowed 1953 by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. One of 471 sites endowed 1935-65, 31 in London.

2.7 King George's Field
Hadley Manor, Monken Hadley, East Barnet EN5
47.83 acre site, endowed 1955 by King George's Fields Foundation (see 2.6).

3.0 Bexley

3.1 Pavilion at Bexley Cricket Club
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3.1 Bexley Cricket Club

Manor Way, Bexley DA5 3QG

Club: Bexley CC (f.1805) / Burnt Ash Hockey Club
Sport/s: cricket, hockey, tennis, squash
Owner: private club
Date: ground 1866
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 49173 73242
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Example of ground with no buildings of historic interest yet which itself has been in existence for over 150 years. Kent is regarded as one of cradles of cricket, with earliest match in Bexley area recorded 1805.

3.2 Foots Cray Place, former bowls pavilion
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3.2 Foots Cray Place, former bowls pavilion

Rectory Lane, Sidcup DA14 5BP

Club: n/a
Sport: bowls
Owner: private house
Date: 1903
Designation: Grade II (17.7.1989)
List entry: 1064215
NGR: TQ 47421 71610
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former bowls pavilion designed by R Frank Atkinson for furniture manufacturer Samuel Waring. Two storey, weatherboard over timber frame; domed, tiled roof. Pavilion is only surviving element of formal landscape garden designed by Thomas Mawson. Converted to residential use c.1993, rectangular bowling green now garden.

Also in Bexley

3.3 Crayford Greyhound Stadium

Stadium Way, Crayford, Dartford DA1 4HR
Stadium built in 1937, one of only three greyhound tracks still operating in London (see also 17.2 and 25.10). Opened 1937. No buildings of historic note.

4.0 Brent

4.1 Bobby Moore statue at Wembley Stadium
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4.1 Wembley Stadium

Wembley HA9 0WS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, rugby and others
Owner: management company (subsidiary of Football Association)
Date: 2007
Designation: n/a
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 19343 85561
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: no museum but various historic artefacts on display. On outer concourse (viewable by general public) statue to Bobby Moore (Philip Jackson, 2007) and 1948 Olympic Rolls of Honour (Hugh L Powell, 1950). On inner concourses (viewable on event days or as part of stadium tours) various artefacts relating to 1948 Olympics (inc. Olympic torch holder, starting pistol, flag) and 1966 World Cup (plaque recording Queen's attendance, crossbar from 1966 Final, bust of Sir Alf Ramsey). Also bust to stadium's first managing director, Sir Arthur Elvin. Further artefacts in store include base of flagpole from west twin tower (see also 4.2) and 1923 foundation stone.

4.2 Base of Wembley Stadium flagpole
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4.2 base of Wembley Stadium flagpole

Brent River Park, off Pitfield Way NW10

Club: n/a
Sport/s: n/a
Owner: LB of Brent
Date: 1923
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20114 84729
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: concrete base of flagpole from one of twin towers at Wembley Stadium (demolished 2000). Base of west flagpole in store at new stadium. Concrete flagpoles held at Fawley Hill, Henley.

4.3 Wembley Arena - new east end entrance
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4.3 Wembley Arena, former Empire Pool and Arena
Arena Square, Engineers Way HA9 0AA

Clubs: formerly Wembley Lions and Wembley Monarchs ice hockey (1934-68)
Sport/s: multi-sport (inc. swimming, ice hockey, skating, basketball, equestrian), now primarily music/entertainment venue
Owner: event management company
Date: 1934
Designation: Grade II (14.10.1976)
List entry: 1078877
NGR: TQ 19142 85752
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Designed by Sir Owen Williams, most advanced example of inter-war 20th century multi-sport arena in Britain combining wet and dry sports. Of major national and international significance in both engineering and sport/entertainment. Was largest spanning concrete building in world when opened for 1934 Empire Games. Only surviving venue to have staged events in both 1948 Olympics (swimming and boxing) and 2012 (badminton and rhythmic gymnastics). Swimming pool last used in 1948, now boarded over (but tank structure extant). Hosted last ever Beatles concert in Britain (1966). Many original features (concrete buttresses, former corner water tanks, internal concourses, 1934 foundation stone). Since 2006 revamp main entrance switched from west end to east end to face onto Arena Square, part of Wembley Park masterplan drawn up by Richard Rogers Partnership. Capacity varies from 5,000-12,500 according to event.

Also in Brent:

4.4 Welsh Harp (Brent Reservoir) NW9
Created in 1830s, became sporting and recreational resort in 1850s, associated with Welsh Harp public house (rebuilt 1938, demolished 1971). Adjoining open space was site of early trials of mechanical hare for greyhound racing in 1876 and horse racing, 1868-77. Reservoir now home to various clubs for sailing and canoeing. Site of Special Scientific Interest.

5.0 Bromley

5.1 High Elms Eton fives court
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5.1 Eton fives court

High Elms Estate, Shire Lane, Orpington BR6 7JH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: Eton fives
Owner: LB of Bromley
Date: 1860
Designation: Grade II (21.04.1993)
List entry: 1186836
NGR: TQ 44584 63409
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Set in grounds of High Elms, former house and estate of Sir John Lubbock. Court was gift to his sons, Alfred and Edgar, both noted Etonians and sportsmen. Rare and early surviving example of uncovered fives court, now unused but maintained for visitors' interest. Eton fives emerged as form of handball in 1840s, based on architectural features of exterior wall of Eton College chapel, where pupils threw balls against it.

5.2 Tennis court at Down House
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5.2 Tennis court

Down House, Luxted Road, Downe BR6 7JT

Club: n/a
Sport/s: lawn tennis
Owner: English Heritage
Date: 1881
Designation: unlisted (but Down House listed Grade I)
List entry: (1038325 for Down House)
NGR: TQ 43017 61095
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: rare, probably unique example of hourglass-shaped tennis court with concrete surface. Also possibly oldest concrete lawn tennis court in world. Laid by family of Charles Darwin, owner of Down House 1842-82, apparently at direction of his wife, Emma. This shape of court was specified by Major Walter Clopton Wingfield (1833-1912), creator of the first commercially packaged version of lawn tennis, originally named Sphairistikè in 1874. Metal clamp embedded in surface was probably used for securing net. Darwin children were keen on tennis. There was also lawn tennis court closer to house (now garden area).

5.3 Beckenham Tennis Club pavilion
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5.3 Beckenham Tennis Club summer pavilion
Foxgrove Road, Beckenham BR3 5AS

Club: Beckenham Tennis Club (part of Beckenham Sports Club)
Sport/s: lawn tennis (cricket and squash on adjoining areas)
Owner: private sports club
Date: c.1896
Designation: Grade II (22.03.2013)
List entry: 1412897
NGR: TQ 37716 70240
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: well preserved example of late Victorian timber-frame, bungalow-style sports pavilion. Originally called Ladies Pavilion (men's facilities were in cricket pavilion on south side of ground). 1930s extension not of interest. Beckenham Tennis Club was venue for famous pre-Wimbledon tournament, Kent All-Comers' Championships (1886-1996), which in 1963 became world's first sponsored tournament, and in 1968 was first to be 'open' to both amateur and professional players. Lounge dedicated to former member and occasional local resident, Brazilian Wimbledon champion, Maria Bueno.

5.4 Cricket pavilion on Chislehurst Common
© Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

5.4 Chislehurst Common cricket pavilion
Cricket Ground Road, Chislehurst BR7 5HD

Club: Chislehurst and West Kent Cricket Club (f.1812/1876)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Chislehurst & St Paul's Commons Conservators
Date: c.1890s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 43856 69830
Conservation Area: Chislehurst

Notes: Rustic-style timber pavilion with tiled roof serving cricket ground first used in July 1822. Interior features original gas lights. External security windows not original. Club enjoys right to play on common under 1888 Act. Local legend has it that Napoleon III (resident of Camden Place, see 5.8) watched matches at ground in 1870s. Club owns various historic posters advertising matches from 1882-46.

5.5 Pavilion at Goals Soccer Centre, former Three Banks sports pavilion
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5.5 Goals Soccer Centre, former Three Banks sports pavilion

Copers Cope Road, Lower Sydenham BR3 1NZ

Club: formerly Three Banks Sports Club
Sport/s: football and cricket
Owner: Goals Soccer Centre (private lease)
Date: 1899
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37021 70971
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick pavilion built by consortium of three banks (London Joint Stock, National Provincial and Union & Smiths, later National Westminster, subsequently Royal Bank of Scotland, sold to private owner in 2000). Basement changing rooms, club rooms above fronted by verandah with central stairs leading to pitch, central roof gable with clock. Exterior well preserved, interior converted for use as five-a-side football/function venue. To south is detached former groundsman's cottage (also 1899). To north (visible in photograph) is three storey annexe housing squash courts and fitness centre (1968). Behind is 1960s sports hall (now play centre). Interesting example of former company sports ground now split up into individually operated buildings.

5.6 Clubhouse of the HSBC Sports and Social Club
© Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

5.6 HSBC Sports and Social Club

Lennard Road, New Beckenham BR3 1QW

Club: HSBC Sports and Social Club
Sport/s: rugby, football, cricket, hockey, bowls, tennis, squash, badminton, netball
Owner: private club
Date: early 1930s, reconstructed in late 1940s (bomb damage)
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 36604 70552
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial but much altered company sports clubhouse, built by Midland Bank (now HSBC). One of only two sports facilities still owned and used by original bank (the other being the Bank of England Club, see 33.15). Brick with mock-Tudor panelling to first floor exterior and gables, with deep tiled roof, first floor viewing balcony and central clocktower. Stone plaque over side entrance bears Midland Bank motto, *Vis Unita Fortior*. Also in grounds is former pavilion of Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, two storey, brick and timber, tiled roof, mock-Tudor gables, bearing dates 1913 and 1924, now nursery. Banks merged in 1990 and sports grounds now form single 29 acre complex.

5.6 Former Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank sports pavilion, now nursery
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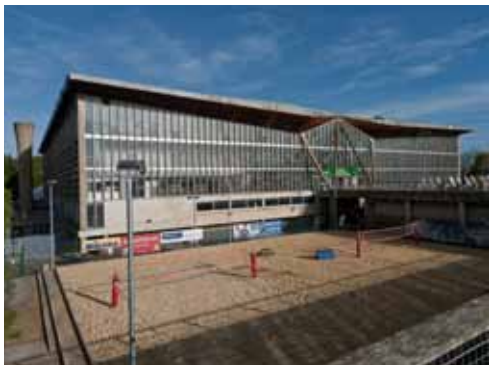

5.7 National Sports Centre, from south
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5.7 National Sports Centre pool interior
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5.7 National Sports Centre athletics stadium west stand © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

5.7 National Sports Centre

Crystal Palace Park, Ledrington Road SE19 2BB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: aquatics, indoor sports
Owner: LB of Bromley
Date: 1964
Designation: Grade II* (12.12.1997)
List entry: 1031539
NGR: TQ 34475 70894
Conservation Area: Crystal Palace Park

Notes: England's most significant post-war indoor sports centre (originally called National Recreation Centre), designed 1953-54 by LCC Architects Dept under Leslie Martin and successors, but not completed until 1964. A-frame concrete core in centre, with dry sports area on west side, swimming pool on east, divided into three sections: eight lane main pool (now 50m, was 165' originally), learners' pool and diving pool (with only 10m board in London until Olympic Aquatic Centre opened in 2012). Spectator accommodation for 1,270 on west side, 1,700 on east. Lower floors house squash courts, sports hall and changing rooms. Building exemplified design approach recommended by 1960 Wolfenden Report, which laid basis for late C20 leisure centres. Lack of separation between wet and dry areas causes problems with temperature control and acoustics (although teak slats lining ceiling would be much copied). No longer considered national training centre but well used by SE region and local community. Pedestrian bridge to main entrance was designed to span former motor racing track in park. Long terms plans are for aquatics area to be converted to dry sports.

Included within NSC is unlisted athletics stadium, also 1964. 16,500 seats with space for temporary stands at north. Site has strong historic associations with football, also rugby. Earlier sports ground on site (b.1897) used to stage FA Cup Finals 1897-1914. Current spectator stand on west side (1964) built into natural slope, covered by suspended cantilever roof. Freestanding Jubilee Stand (added 1977) on east side.

Crystal Palace Park is Grade II* listed and contains nine other listed structures (including NSC). Also Lodge Tower, eleven storey block intended for visiting athletes and coaches. Other sports with historic association with park: cycling (first racing 1869), cricket (1866-1908, inc. WG Grace), bowls, football (inc. formation of Crystal Palace FC), motor racing (1937-72).

Also in Bromley:

5.8 **Camden Place,** Camden Park Road, Chislehurst BR7 5HJ
List entry: 1064325
Grade II* C18 house remodelled in early 1800s by George Dance, again in 1860s, occupied by Emperor Napoleon 1870-73. Converted into clubhouse of Chislehurst Golf Club in 1894.

5.9 **Sundridge Park,** Garden Road BR1 3NE
List entry: 1299044
Grade I C18 house with elements by James Wyatt and John Nash, converted into clubhouse of Sundridge Park Golf Club in 1901. Two 18-hole course, set in Sundridge Park, list entry: 1000841 Grade II listed C18 Historic Park and Garden laid out by Humphrey Repton and John Nash.

5.10 **Bromley Bowling Club** 77a Plaistow Lane BR1 3JF
Club formed 1888, uses hall of former Victorian school building for men's changing rooms. Remaining school buildings converted to residential use.

5.11 **King George's Field**
Betts Park, Croydon Road, Penge SE20 8BD
7 acre site, endowed 1939 by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. One of 471 sites endowed 1935-65, 31 in London.

6.0 Camden

6.1 German Gymnasium – newly exposed west front
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6.1 German Gymnasium – showing laminated timber roof and inserted mezzanine floor
© English Heritage Archive

6.1 German Gymnasium

26 Pancras Road, King's Cross N1C 4TB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: private company
Date: 1865
Designation: Grade II (30.01.1976)
List entry: 1113243
NGR: TQ 30114 83152
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Gymnasium and cultural centre built by German Gymnastic Society at a time when Germans formed largest single immigrant group in London. Architect Edward Gruning was part of community. GGS was significant promoter of organised amateur sport and sporting governance in 1860s and 1870s. Gymnasium staged gymnastic events of first National Olympian Games in 1866 (precursor of modern Olympics). Society had many English members, but went into abeyance during WW1. Building subsequently used by Great Northern Railway for offices. Rare laminated timber roof survives, plus iron hooks for ropes and decorated iron columns. Building was originally hidden behind, and entered via terraced houses on St Pancras Road, demolished c.2005 prior to King's Cross / St Pancras redevelopment. Currently awaiting conversion to restaurant (2014) and removal of mezzanine floor inserted 1927.

6.2 Black Lion pub, former billiard room
© English Heritage archive

6.2 Black Lion, former billiard room

274 Kilburn High Road NW6 2BY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards
Owner: private business
Date: 1898
Designation: Grade II* (14.5.1974, whole building)
List entry: 1379254
NGR: TQ 24928 84302
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick with stone dressings, billiard room extension to public house, architect RA Lewcock, with original skylights. Now dining area. Main bar contains copper panels by FT Callcott depicting gentlemen's pursuits, including bowls, and Lincrusta ceiling with frieze. Outstanding example of Victorian gin palace interior. Listed on CAMRA Inventory of Pub Interiors of Special Historic Interest.

6.3 Kentish Town Sports Centre
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6.3 Kentish Town Sports Centre, Willes Pool interior
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6.3 Kentish Town Sports Centre, former St Pancras Public Baths and Hall

Prince of Wales Road NW5 3DU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Camden
Date: 1901
Designation: Grade II (14.05.1974)
List entry: 1139080
NGR: TQ 28786 84766
Conservation Area: Inkerman

Notes: Largest and finest example of late Victorian/Edwardian baths complex in London, designed by Thomas Ardwinkle, originally with four pools (men's and women's first and second class), wash-house, and 129 slipper baths. In 1914 was second busiest baths complex in Britain. Richly detailed red brick and terracotta exterior with sculptural masonry over entrances. Interior much altered. Three pools still in use, inc. main Willes Pool, with original, distinctive trefoil profile roof designed to reduce echo. Separate entrances on Willes Road (extant) served pool when it was boarded over during winter months and used for lectures, boxing etc., signifying recognition by LCC Building Control that baths had also to be considered as public halls. Additional interest from complex nature of building plan on irregular site, and survival of two bore holes, one of which now used for energy saving thermal heating and cooling. £27m refurbishment 2012-13 by Roberts Limbrick Architects. Upper floors of front block converted for residential use.

6.4 Tennis pavilion

Witanhurst, 41 Highgate West Hill N6 6LS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: lawn tennis
Owner: private residence
Date: c.1913
Designation: Grade II (9.10.1998)
List entry: 1379040
NGR: TQ 28054 87243
Conservation Area: Highgate Village

Notes: Former tennis pavilion designed by Harold Peto for Sir Arthur Crosfield, one of several listed structures in grounds in derelict state (Heritage at Risk Register 2013). Brick with stone quoins and dressings. Hipped, slated roof. Not inspected since 1998 listing.

6.5 North London Bowling Club – exterior
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6.5 North London Bowling Club – club room
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6.5 North London Bowling Club pavilion

Fitzroy Park, Highgate N6 6HT

Club: North London Bowling Club (f.1891)
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: private club
Date: 1910
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27692 87082
Conservation Area: Highgate Village

Notes: One of London's oldest bowls clubs from period preceeding formation of English Bowls Association (1903), in secluded location on former farmland on edge of Hampstead Heath. Edwardian clubhouse built around central club room, in standard vernacular-style, tiled, gable roofs, pebbledash walls, with later additions (eg. in 1973 after women had been granted full membership in 1966). Impressive club room has many interesting artefacts, honours boards and photographs (eg. former presidents' gallery). Former members include Arsenal and Middlesex cricketer Leslie Compton, a peer, an MP, and a diplomat. Good example of club with strong sense of history and long tradition of hospitality (inc. concerts and whist drives).

6.6 Action at the Freemasons Arms skittle alley
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6.6 Freemasons Arms skittles alley

32 Downshire Hill, Hampstead NW3 1NT

Club: Hampstead Lawn Billiard and Skittle Club
Sport/s: Old English or London skittles
Owner: private business
Date: 1936
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27044 185821
Conservation Area: Hampstead

Notes: Last of estimated 200 traditional skittle alleys in London, designed for form of game known either as London skittles or Old English skittles, popular in C19 and early-mid C20, mainly in pubs and clubs. Game consists of hardwood 'cheese' thrown at nine pins. Alley located in basement of public house. Club acts as repository of London skittles archive. Its name reflects existence also of a 'lawn billiards' court in pub grounds, converted to seated area in 1970s (but with court outline marked out in paving).

6.7 Parliament Hills Fields bowls pavilions
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6.7 Parliament Hill Fields bowls pavilions

Parliament Hill Fields, Highgate Road NW5 1QR

Club: Parliament Hill Fields Bowling Club
Sport/s: bowls, croquet
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1937
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28270 86206
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Adjoining pair of pavilions, for male and female players, brick with tiled roofs, with timber-framed verandahs. Charming and well preserved examples of LCC Parks Department design (see 10.6), containing changing rooms and club room.

6.8 Parliament Hill Fields Lido, main entrance
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6.8 Parliament Hill Fields Lido, interior detail
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6.8 Parliament Hill Fields Lido

Gordon House Road, Gospel Oak NW5 1LP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1938
Designation: Grade II (11.01.1999)
List entry: 1113025
NGR: TQ 28261 85793
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Finest and best preserved example of thirteen outdoor swimming pools built by LCC between wars, designed by architects HA Rowbotham & TL Smithson (of Parks Department). Rectangular brick compound enclosing unusually large pool (200' x 90' / 61m x 27.4m), relined in 2005 with innovative stainless steel, deck-level tank. Many original features, including flat roof main entrance (sensitively upgraded for disabled access), 'wedding-cake' aerating fountain at west end, Moderne bay windows to office and café with metal frames, extensive paved sunbathing terraces and tubular steel diving platform (now used only for lifeguards). Symbolises LCC drive to make London a 'city of lidos'.

6.9 Pavilion at Parliament Hill Fields athletics track
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6.9 Parliament Hill Fields athletics pavilion and café

Parliament Hill Fields, Hampstead Heath NW5

Club: Highgate Harriers (f.1879)
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1939
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27876 85843
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick, flat-roofed pavilion with steel frame windows, central raised officials' viewing tower, bay window, on raised terrace, built to service athletics track laid in 1939, soon after completion of lido (6.8), probably also by LCC architects HA Rowbotham & TL Smithson. Current artificial track dates from 2004. Used by various clubs, inc. Shaftesbury Harriers and now Highgate Harriers, London's third oldest athletics club.

6.10 Oasis outdoor pool
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6.10 Oasis Sports Centre

32 Endell Street, Covent Garden WC2H 9AG

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Camden
Date: 1946 / 1960
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 530136 81303
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Sports centre combining outdoor and indoor pools with unusual history. Outdoor pool was originally intended to be part of new indoor baths complex started in 1937. Unfinished pool used as water tank during WW11, opened as temporary outdoor pool amid bombed surrounds in 1946 (hence its name, originally informal). Layout formalised by Holborn borough architect Sidney Cook in 1960 when office block built alongside, incorporating leisure centre entrance on ground floor, extending to rear with single storey block housing indoor 25m pool (the first metric pool in Britain). Heated outdoor pool has remained open all year round since 1986. One of four indoor/outdoor pool combinations in London (see also Haringey 15.7, Hillingdon 18.3 and Richmond upon Thames 28.14).

Also in Camden:

6.11 Hampstead and Highgate swimming ponds
Hampstead Heath NW3
consisting of Mixed Pond (public swimming since c.1800), Men's Pond (1893), Ladies' Pond (1926). Important focal point for outdoor swimming in London, together with Serpentine, Hyde Park. Men's Pond especially identified with diving in late Victorian and Edwardian period, staged Britain's first national diving competition in 1893 (boards not extant). Highgate Life Buoys Club f. 1903. No buildings of historic interest.

6.12 Albany Club
St Bedes Hall, Little Albany Street NW1 4DY
List entry: 1379342. Grade II former Mission Hall, c.1877, designed by CR Baker King. Restored and converted c.1989 to gym and health centre.

6.13 The Armoury
25 Pond Street, Hampstead NW3 2PN
Drill Hall b.1905, converted to gym 1992.

7.0 City of London

7.1 St Bride Foundation Institute
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7.1 St Brides Foundation Institute

Bride Lane, Fleet Street EC4Y 8EQ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnastics, table tennis
Owner: charitable foundation
Date: 1893
Designation: Grade II (7.3.1988)
List entry: 1251908
NGR: TQ 31590 81093
Conservation Area: Fleet Street

Notes: Institute designed by RC Murray, built for benefit of print workers in Fleet Street area, with classrooms, library, gymnasium (now the Print Workshop) and basement swimming pool (converted into **Bridewell Theatre**, 1994). Drying racks from laundry in theatre bar. No sporting activity on premises currently, but library has detailed records. The St Bride Vase, a silver trophy first awarded to Fred Perry in 1929 to mark his victory in World Table Tennis Championships, is still awarded annually to the Men's World Champion. In the 1950s the Institute was home of the Spur Gym, a national centre for weightlifting.

7.2 Finsbury Circus bowling green
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7.2 Finsbury Circus Garden bowling green EC2

Club: City of London Bowling Club
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1926 (bowling green)
Designation: Grade II, Parks & Gardens (1.10.1987)
List entry: 1001259
NGR: TQ 32865 81616
Conservation Area: Finsbury Circus

Notes: Bowling green laid out in 1926 in centre of only public park in City, itself a remnant of Lower Moorfields, a former recreation area (especially noted for archery), and from 1815-1900 a private garden. Park locally known as Morton Park after Alpheus Morton, local councillor who led campaign for garden to be made public. Bowls club formed in 1926, with pre-fab pavilion added in 1967. Green closed in 2010 for Crossrail development, scheduled for re-opening in c.2017-18.

7.3 Golden Lane Leisure Centre pool
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7.3 Golden Lane Leisure Centre

Golden Lane Estate, Fann Street EC1Y 0SH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnasium, sports hall
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1958-62
Designation: Grade II (4.12.1997)
List entry: 1021950
NGR: TQ 32156 82124
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Good example of 1960s public sports centre integrated within council housing estate, designed by Chamberlin Powell and Bon, with 20m pool in steel-framed two storey hall, glazed on three sides, plus gymnasium and courts for tennis and netball.

8.0 City of Westminster

8.1 Surviving northern wall of tennis court at Whitehall Palace, now part of Cabinet Office, Treasury Green, Downing Street
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8.1 remnants of sporting facilities at Whitehall Palace

Cabinet Office and Treasury, Whitehall SW1

Club: n/a
Sport/s: tennis, cockfighting, bowls, tilting
Owner: HM Government
Date: c.1532-1660s
Designation: Grade I (1.10.1987)
List entry: 1267063
NGR: TQ 30120 79956
Conservation Area: Whitehall

Notes: Surviving elements of Henry VIII's sporting complex at Whitehall Palace, including sections of walls of four tennis courts (b.1533-34, two indoor, two outdoor), plus Cockpit Passage, which linked courts with Royal Cockpit and is now working corridor in Cabinet Office. Last functioning tennis court on site was demolished in 1809. Extensive evidence also for bowling alley and tiltyard on site, plus bowling green on east side of Whitehall.

8.2 Cockpit Steps
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8.2 Cockpit Steps

Birdcage Walk / Old Queen Street SW1

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cockfighting
Owner: n/a
Date: late C18, rebuilt 1964
Designation: Grade II (5.2.1970)
List entry: 1225629
NGR: TQ 29775 79647
Conservation Area: Birdcage Walk

Notes: Steps curving around the site of the second Royal Cockpit, built c.1671 to replace Whitehall Palace cockpit (8.1). 'Cockpit Steps' named on maps of late C18 (eg. Horwood). Interior depicted by Thomas Rowlandson and Augustus Pugin in Ackermann's *The Microcosm of London* (published 1808-10), after which building demolished (c.1810). Steps rebuilt 1964. Local tradition has it that the Two Chairmen pub, nearby at 39 Dartmouth Street, took its name from the presence there of a sedan chair allocated for use of clients of Royal Cockpit. Also with links to sport of cockfighting, nearby Cockspur Street.

8.3 Westminster School pavilion, Vincent Square
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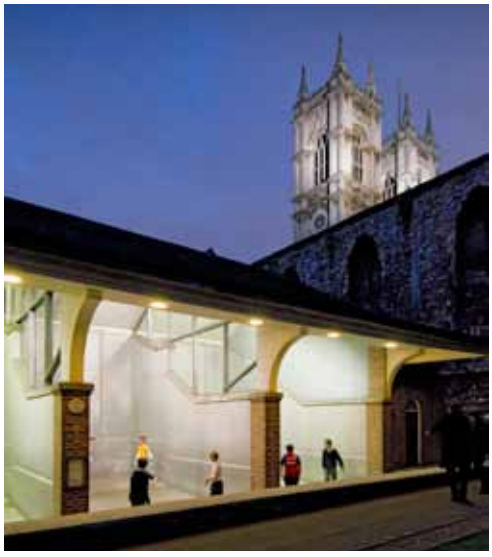
8.3 Westminster School playing fields and pavilion
Vincent Square SW1P 2PW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket, football, tennis
Owner: Westminster School
Date: sports ground 1810 / pavilion 1888-89
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29624 78862
Conservation Area: Vincent Square

Notes: Westminster was first London school to set aside land for sport and recreation when 10 acres of Tothill Fields marked out 'by ploughman' in 1810 by order of headmaster William Vincent. (Sporting activity on Tothill Fields recorded in 1659.) Ground since expanded to 13 acres. Pavilion attributed to Richard Creed (see 32.2), with early hints of Arts and Crafts style. Clubroom displays honours boards dating back to 1861. Ground stages annual Westminster v Charterhouse match, first recorded 1863, believed to be oldest Association football fixture still played.



8.4 Westminster School, Eton fives courts
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8.4 Westminster School fives courts
Westminster School, Little Dean's Yard SW1P 3PF

Club: n/a
Sport/s: Eton fives
Owner: Westminster School
Date: 1958-61
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 30047 79432
Conservation Area: Westminster Abbey & Parliament Square

Notes: Set of three covered Eton fives courts on west side of Ashburnham Garden, within school grounds, flanking wall of Westminster Abbey's South Cloister.

8.5 Entrance to former Royal York Baths
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8.5 Royal Academy of Music, former Royal York Baths

York Terrace East, Regent's Park NW1 5HT

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private
Date: 1820
Designation: Grade I (5.2.1970, whole building)
List entry: 1066044
NGR: TQ 28324 82180
Conservation Area: Regent's Park

Notes: Swimming baths within John Nash terrace, initially for the benefit of residents in Regent's Park, later for public use. Shows how Georgian baths were often located discreetly within residential developments. Two pools for gentlemen (each 66' x 21' with springboards) and one for ladies (30' x 14', only one in London reserved for women until 1870s). Turkish bath added c.1865. Closed in c.1914. No trace survives, building now occupied by Royal Academy of Music.

8.6 Regent's Park tennis pavilion
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8.6 Regent's Park Tennis Centre pavilion

York Bridge, Regents Park NW1 4NU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: tennis (formerly archery and ice skating)
Owner: Royal Parks
Date: 1870
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28182 82361
Conservation Area: Regent's Park

Notes: Oldest functioning sports pavilion in London. Built originally by the Royal Toxophilite Society, who leased portion of Regent's Park for archery, but intended as a pavilion for the Skating Club (f.1830), in wake of disaster in Regent's Park lake of January 15 1867 in which 40 skaters died when ice gave way. Flat area in front of pavilion was sunk so that it could be flooded in winter to provide safe skating. Area converted to tennis courts c.1924 after RTS lease expired. Possible works to pavilion conducted 1895 and 1922 but RTS archive photos show exterior appears little altered.

8.7 RAC swimming pool
© RAC

8.7 Royal Automobile Club swimming pool
89 Pall Mall SW1Y 5HS

Club: Royal Automobile Club (f.1897)
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private club
Date: 1911
Designation: Grade II* (5.2.1970, whole building)
List entry: 1065860
NGR: TQ 29543 80225
Conservation Area: St James's

Notes: Sumptuous pool (86' x 30') in club headquarters, designed by Anglo-French partnership of Charles Mewès and AJ Davis, with Edward Keynes Purchase. Mix of Pompeiian and Egyptian styles. Partnership designed similar pools for Ritz Hotel, Paris, and three ocean liners, but this is sole survivor. Also in building, Turkish baths, billiard room, gymnasium and squash courts.

8.8 Porchester Centre main entrance
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8.8 Porchester Centre entrance hall
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8.8 Porchester Centre, former Paddington Central Baths
Porchester Road, Queensway W2 5HS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: City of Westminster
Date: 1925
Designation: Grade II (28.11.1994)
List entry: 1262987
NGR: TQ 25740 81360
Conservation Area: Queensway

Notes: Superior 1920s baths complex designed by Herbert Shepherd for Paddington Borough Council, incorporating newly developed filtration systems for two pools (100' x 35' and 75' x 30'), vaulted roofs with recessed skylights, plus Turkish and Russian baths. Steel frame faced in Portland stone. Gala pool with balcony seating, smaller pool has modern suspended ceiling. Many original fixtures and fittings in richly detailed entrance lobby and corridors. Adjoining Porchester Hall, added in 1927-9 by Shepherd and HA Thomerson, is popular venue for boxing.

8.9 Serpentine Lido pavilion
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8.9 Serpentine Lido and pavilion

Hyde Park SW1

Club: Serpentine Swimming Club (f.1864)
Sport/s: swimming, triathlon
Owner: Royal Parks
Date: 1930 (pavilion)
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27130 80004
Conservation Area: Royal Parks

Notes: Set in Grade I listed Hyde Park. Swimming first recorded in Serpentine lake in 1840s. Serpentine SC famous for organising Christmas Day swim since 1864, for which prize is Peter Pan Cup (donated by JM Barrie). The lido, an area of lake cordoned off by ropes in 1930, was initiative of MP George Lansbury who set out to democratise use of London parks. Permission for mixed bathing was considered radical. Pavilion, designed by JH Markham (Office of Works) with oak columns, now Lido Café. Plaque to Lansbury on exterior wall. Serpentine swimming enjoying revival as result of park and lake hosting Olympic triathlon in 2012 Games.

8.10 Gala pool at Marshall Street Leisure Centre
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8.10 Walter Gilbert fountain at Marshall Street Leisure Centre © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

8.10 Marshall Street Leisure Centre, former Marshall St Baths

15 Marshall Street, Soho W1F 7EL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: City of Westminster
Date: 1931
Designation: Grade II (28.9.1982)
List entry: 1239704
NGR: TQ 29306 81053
Conservation Area: Soho

Notes: Design classic by specialist baths architects AWS and KMB Cross, fronted by narrow four storey Roman Renaissance service block, steel frame dressed in red brick and stone; incorporating gala pool (100' x 35', refurbished 2010) and second class pool (70' x 35', demolished 2009), slipper baths (now fitness centre), Maternity and Child Welfare Centre (now flats), council offices and at rear, off Dufour's Place, a wash-house (demolished) and street cleaning depot (extant). Baths closed 1997-2010, saved by public campaign and £25m development plan funded by sale of 52 flats on site. Gala pool, restored by Finch Forman Architects, features white Sicilian and green Swedish marble. Entrance hall with restored mahogany kiosk. Building much treasured by local residents and workers. Staged Johnny Weismuller exhibition event in 1948.

8.11 Lansdowne Club swimming pool
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8.11 Lansdowne Club swimming pool

9 Fitzmaurice Place, Mayfair W1J 5JD

Club: Lansdowne Club (f.1935)
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private club
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II* (14.1.1970, whole building)
List entry: 1066795
NGR: TQ 28803 80447
Conservation Area: Mayfair

Notes: Art Moderne pool (80' x 20') fitted by contractors White Allom in basement of building originally designed by Robert Adam for Lord Bute in 1763, later occupied by William Petty and Gordon Selfridge (both marked by blue plaques). Converted into exclusive private club 1935 by architect Charles Fox. Unusually, club admitted women as full members. Glass fountain in courtyard above, which admitted light into pool, since removed, along with water chute, hanging rings over water and diving board. Pool refurbished 2004. Fitness rooms off upper balcony.

8.12 Seymour Leisure Centre exterior
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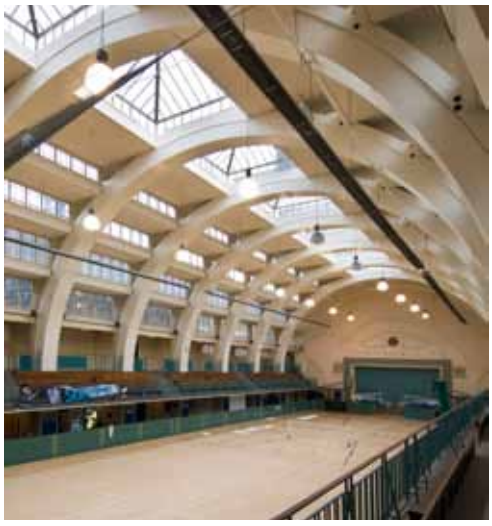

8.12 Seymour Leisure Centre former gala pool
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8.12 Seymour Leisure Centre, former Seymour Place Baths

Seymour Place, Marylebone W1H 5TJ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: City of Westminster
Date: 1937
Designation: Grade II (22.3.1989)
List entry: 1264003
NGR: TQ 27481 81557
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Designed by baths specialist KWS Cross, with palazzo-style brick exterior block (to blend in with residential surrounds), concealing in its midst an ultra-modern gala pool hall strongly influenced by Royal Horticultural Society exhibition hall in Victoria (8.22), using parabolic concrete arches, flat roofed clerestories and domed top lights. Pool tank (132' x 42') survives but has been boarded over since 1980s and space used for dry sports only. Retains proscenium arch of stage area, plus dressing rooms and 450 seat gallery on two sides, reflecting hall's use as entertainments venue in winter months. Second pool (100' x 20') still in use. Britain's first affiliated synchronised swimming club formed at baths in 1961.

8.13 Dolphin Square swimming pool
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8.13 Dolphin Square swimming pool

Dolphin Square, Chichester Street SW1V 3LX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential
Date: 1938
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29477 78096
Conservation Area: Dolphin Square

Notes: Art Deco pool (60' x 20') within massive Neo-Georgian residential complex designed by Gordon Jeeves, with engineer Oscar Faber, serving what was at the time the largest block of flats in Europe (1,300 flats on 7.5 acre site). Water pumped from four boreholes, reputedly heated by surplus from Battersea Power Station. Dolphin sculpture on pool balcony by John Skeaping. Many well known residents used facilities (politicians, show business). Pool refurbished 2008. Membership now open to public. Also gymnasium, squash courts, tennis courts in complex.

8.14 Paddington Recreation Ground
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8.14 Paddington Rec - Beachcroft Pavilion
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8.14 Paddington Recreation Ground

Randolph Avenue, Maida Vale W9 1PD

Club: various, inc. Hampstead & Westminster Hockey Club (f.1894)
Sport/s: athletics, cricket, football, hockey, tennis, bowls, netball, basketball plus gymnasium
Owner: City of Westminster
Date: 1888
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25554 82802
Conservation Area: Maida Vale

Notes: 27 acre public recreation ground laid out after local campaign led by solicitor Richard Beachcroft, with backing from Lord Randolph Churchill MP and finance from LCC and vestries of Paddington, St Marylebone and Willesden. Strong associations with cycle racing (on banked track in existence 1888-1987, where cricket pitch now located). Beachcroft Pavilion forms central hub, b.1888 but much altered, with plaques to Sir Roger Bannister, who trained on track before his four minute mile record, and Sir Bradley Wiggins, who grew up in neighbourhood.

8.15 Paddington Sports Club, with former Maida Vale skating rink (8.16) on left
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8.15 Paddington Sports Club, indoor bowls centre
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8.15 Paddington Sports Club

Castellain Road, Maida Vale W9 1HQ

Club: Paddington Sports Club (f.1928)
Sport/s: tennis, squash, bowls (outdoor and indoor)
Owner: private club
Date: 1928
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25678 82372
Conservation Area: Maida Vale

Notes: Rare example of inner city sports club located on confined site surrounded by mansion flats. The bowls section (formed independently in 1905 on Paddington Rec) was one of strongest in southern England and hosted many major tournaments. One of two outdoor greens since converted to tennis. Steel-framed indoor bowls centre b.1935 with mural (1948, Edward W Holland) on east wall, one of several built in London in mid 1930s, said to be largest in Britain at time (with six rinks). Central mock Tudor pavilion forms hub, with squash courts.

8.16 former Maida Vale roller skating rink (now BBC Maida Vale Studios), Delaware Road entrance
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8.16 BBC Maida Vale Studios, former roller skating rink

Delaware Road W9 2LG

Club: n/a
Sport/s: roller skating
Owner: BBC
Date: 1910
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25582 82350
Conservation Area: Maida Vale

Notes: With maple floor measuring 500' x 110', the Maida Vale Skating Palace was the largest of c.55 roller skating rinks built in Greater London during 'rincomania' boom of 1893-1914. Lasted only three years before company went into liquidation. Internal space subsequently utilised for storage by Ministry of Health until in 1934 BBC built music studios and rehearsal rooms inside main shell of rink (still in use, 2014). Apart from new roof cladding building exterior otherwise little altered. Decorative moulded entrances visible along Delaware Road.

8.17 Lord's pavilion
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8.17 Lords's Cricket Ground pavilion
St John's Wood NW8 8QN

Club: Marylebone Cricket Club (f.1787)
Sport/s: cricket, real tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1899
Designation: Grade II* (3.9.1982)
List entry: 1235992
NGR: TQ 26767 82693
Conservation Area: St John's Wood

Notes: Rare Grade II* purpose-built sports building still in use. Third pavilion on site since ground opened by Thomas Lord in 1814. Designed by Thomas Verity with additions by son Frank. Faced in pink terracotta, with various viewing levels, flanked by pavilions housing dressing rooms. Long room (93') overlooking pitch is regarded as focal point of English cricket, with many important works of cricketing art on display. To rear, linked to pavilion by first floor bridge, is real tennis court (1900) and MCC Museum (1953), repository of legendary Ashes, bust of WG Grace and many other treasures.

8.18 Lord's Cricket Ground, Grace Gates
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8.18 Lord's Cricket Ground, Grace Gates
St John's Wood NW8 8QN

Club: Marylebone Cricket Club (f.1787)
Sport/s: cricket, real tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1923
Designation: Grade II (7.2.1996)
List entry: 1246985
NGR: TQ 26894 82675
Conservation Area: St John's Wood

Notes: Portland stone and ironwork gates designed by Herbert Baker. Dedicated to legendary cricketer Dr WG Grace (1848-1915). Several Grace-related artefacts in MCC Museum, inc. bust, caps, portraits. Also statue of Grace (1999, Louis Lauman) in Coronation Gardens, next to pavilion.

8.19 Lord's Cricket Ground, bas relief sculpture
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8.19 Lord's Cricket Ground, bas relief sculpture
St John's Wood Road, NW8 8QN

Club: Marylebone Cricket Club (f.1787)
Sport/s: cricket, real tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1934
Designation: Grade II (22.5.2001)
List entry: 1271512
NGR: TQ 27081 82832
Conservation Area: St John's Wood

Notes: corner of St John's Wood Road and Wellington Road by Gilbert Bayes. Depicts sportsmen and women in various sporting guises, with inscription 'Play Up, Play Up and Play the Game' (from H Newboult poem 1892, *Vitai Lampada, or Torch of Life*).

8.20 Lord's Cricket Ground Mound Stand viewed from St John's Wood Road
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8.20 Lord's Cricket Ground, Mound Stand
St John's Wood Road, NW8 8QN

Club: Marylebone Cricket Club (f.1787)
Sport/s: cricket, real tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1987
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27081 82832
Conservation Area: St John's Wood

Notes: Exemplary blend of old and new, by M Hopkins and Ove Arup. Upper tier steel framed with PVC coated tented roof. Brick arcade modelled on Mound Stand by F Verity (b.1898), using recycled stock bricks. Seats 4,500 on lower tier, 500 in mid tier with 27 private boxes, 520 on upper deck. Use of lightweight fabric roof would be much copied in later grandstands.

Also in City of Westminster:

8.21 Queen's Park Meeting Hall, 576 Harrow Road W10 4NJ
b.1884, Grade II, list entry 1262909
Currently used as boxing gym.

8.22 St Jude's Institute Ilbert Street W10 4QL
Location of formation of Queen's Park Rangers in 1886. Plaque erected 2011. Queen's Park Conservation Area.

8.22 Lawrence Hall, Greycoat Street SW1P 2QD
b.1928, Grade II*, list entry 1214142
Former Royal Horticultural Society exhibition hall, converted to sports hall for Westminster School 2012.

9.0 Croydon

9.1 Havelock Hall, former gymnasium of the East India Company, now private flats
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9.1 Havelock Hall, former East India Company Military Academy gymnasium

Havelock Road, Croydon CR0 6QP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: private residential
Date: 1851
Designation: Grade II (25.11.1987)
List entry: 1358816
NGR: TQ 33913 66101
Conservation Area: East India Estate

Notes: Oldest gymnasium in London, brick with stone dressings. Sole surviving building of the East India Company's Military Academy (f.1809). Architect unknown. Design predates flurry of gymnasiums constructed for army and public schools to recommendations of Archibald MacLaren. Was in use only ten years, 1851-61, before company's powers withdrawn. Grounds redeveloped as housing, gymnasium used as temporary church and warehouse until conversion to flats in 1990s.

9.2 Waterside Centre pavilions, South Northwood Park © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

9.2 Waterside Centre pavilions

South Norwood Park, 26 Avenue Road SE25 4DX

Club: formerly Norwood Club (1885-c.1936)
Sport/s: tennis, cricket, bowls, boating, fishing (formerly golf)
Owner: LB of Croydon
Date: c.1885 and c.1930s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33953 69192
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Pair of pavilions forming headquarters of the Norwood Club, formed 1885. Larger of pair (originally built as residence for developer and club founder Alfred Steer), double-fronted with pavilion extension at rear, featuring timber balconies on three sides overlooking boating lake (former reservoir). Ground laid out around lake. Clubhouse served as first headquarters of the Lawn Tennis Association (f.1888). At peak club reported to have had 54 lawn tennis courts, making it largest in world. Later 1930s pavilion to west with hipped pantile roof, now sports hall. Both buildings now local authority Healthy Living Centre.

9.3 Croydon Bowling Club, indoor centre
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9.3 Croydon Bowling Club

10 Nottingham Road, South Croydon CR2 6LN

Club: Croydon Bowling Club (f.1749, but constituted in C19)
Sport/s: bowls (outdoor and indoor)
Owner: private club
Date: 1922 with indoor centre 1937
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32163 64460
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Bowls first recorded in Croydon in 1749. Club formed subsequently. Purchased current site (formerly Bramley Hill House) in 1920, green opened 1922. Picturesque C19 brick outhouse with tiled roof and gable in corner of green survives from Bramley Hill House, plus inscribed stone. Six rink indoor centre (undistinguished brick shed with steel frame roof) completed 1937, one of several of similar design built in London during 1930s (see 8.15). Club building otherwise mix of old (1920s, now residence for club steward and greenkeeper) and new, most notably two storey modern extension (1982).

9.4 Selhurst Park, main stand exterior
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9.4 Selhurst Park

Whitehorse Lane SE25 6PU

Club: Crystal Palace Football Club (f.1905)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Crystal Palace FC
Date: 1924
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33252 68279
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Club originally formed in grounds of Crystal Palace. Selhurst Park laid out for club by celebrated engineer Archibald Leitch. Core of main grandstand is original from 1924, steel framed, corrugated cladding, much altered internally with concrete terraced lower tier (originally for standing spectators, converted to seats in 1979), timber seated tier at rear, with late C20 stair towers and lounges at rear. Other three stands date from 1969, 1991 and 1995 (double-decker with unusual cantilevered roof on Holmesdale Road, George Watt & Partners).

9.5 Whitgift School Rugby fives courts
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9.5 Whitgift School cricket pavilion
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9.5 Whitgift School Rugby fives courts and pavilion

Haling Park, South Croydon CR2 6YT

Club: n/a
Sport/s: Rugby fives
Owner: Whitgift Foundation charitable trust
Date: 1934
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32071 63880
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Block of four covered Rugby fives courts (Rugby fives being one of three variations played in Britain, the others being Eton and Winchester fives, all three developed in public schools). Interior features court walls and flooring rendered in 'non sweat' cement by specialist firm Joseph Bickley. Also at school, interesting two storey cricket pavilion, b.1932, brick with stone dressings, sunk into embankment, serves ground in use since 1898.

9.6 former Purley Way Lido diving stage
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9.6 former Purley Way Lido diving stage

Wyevale Garden Centre, Waddon Way, Croydon CR0 4HY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: diving
Owner: Wyevale Garden Centre
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II (21.3.2013)
List entry: 1412916
NGR: TQ 31417 63741
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of only four surviving diving stages from the golden era of lido design. Purley Way Lido, opposite Croydon Airport, was designed by CE Boast with several innovations, such as electrically heated water, ozone water purification and a cruciform pool tank, allowing for a 15' deep diving pool to the side of the main pool. Lido closed 1979, converted into garden centre 1981. Sections of entrance building remain (unlisted), but principal interest is reinforced diving stage with three stages, at three, five and ten metres above water level, with original steelwork.

Also in Croydon:

9.7 **Addington Palace Golf Club** (f.1930)
Addington Park, Gravel Hill CR0 5BB
Clubhouse in former C19 stables of Addington Palace, set in course listed Grade II on Register of Historic Parks and Gardens. List entry: 1000790

9.8 **Selsdon Park Hotel and Golf Club**
126 Addington Road, South Croydon CR2 8YA
Hotel and golf club in Grade II listed C19 mansion.
List entry: 1079342

9.9 **King George's Field**
Sydenham Road/Gloucester Road, Selhurst CR0
Three acre recreation ground. One of 31 sites in London endowed by King George's Fields Foundation (1936-65). Endowed 1937.

10.0 Ealing

10.1 Ealing CC pavilion
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10.1 Ealing CC, Bill Axbey Pavilion and scoreboard
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10.1 Ealing Cricket Club pavilion

Corfton Road, Ealing W5 2HS

Club: Ealing Cricket Club (f. 1871)
Sport: cricket
Owner: private club
Date: 1900
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 18162 81323
Conservation Area: Ealing Cricket Ground

Notes: Two storey brick in sw corner of ground, with first floor timber balcony, central turret housing scorer's box, plus single storey extension added 1973. Club purchased ground in 1914. Pavilion houses war memorial and plaques to former Ealing members Eddie Ingram (1910-73) of Middlesex & Ireland, and Mervyn Mansell MBE, DSC (1918-2009). Former club members include Gilbert Jessop (1874-1955), Gloucestershire & England, who is commemorated by a Hendon Corporation plaque at 3 Sunnydale Gardens NW7. Also former Ladies Pavilion in nw of ground, timber frame with verandah, originally pavilion of Glengarry Lawn Tennis Club, which leased area from cricket club 1923-30. Courts built over by houses on Park View Road in 1930s. Ladies Pavilion since dedicated to Bill Axbey, supporter and Honorary Life Vice President of cricket club until his death, aged 103 in 2007. Axbey also has stand named after him at Griffin Park, home of Brentford FC (19.13). Adjoining Bill Axbey Pavilion is picturesque timber scoreboard with tiled roof.

10.2 Acton Baths chimney (before construction of new sports centre on site)
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10.2 Acton Centre, former Acton Baths chimney

Salisbury Road W3 8NW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Ealing
Date: 1904
Designation: Grade II (20.11.2003)
List entry: 1390679
NGR: TQ 20348 80017
Conservation Area: Acton Town Centre

Notes: Surviving element of Acton Baths, by Borough Engineer DJ Ebbetts, demolished 2012. Square, tapered brick with terracotta mouldings and architrave. Now part of **Acton Centre**, leisure centre incorporating King's Rooms and Town Hall frontage.

10.3 Brentham Club, main clubhouse
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10.3 Brentham Club, bowls pavilion (original)
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10.3 Brentham Club

38a Meadvale Road, Ealing W5 1NP

Club: Brentham Club
Sport/s: tennis, bowls, cricket, football, snooker, darts, bridge
Owner: private club
Date: 1911
Designation: Grade II (30.1.1973)
List entry: 1358789
NGR: TQ 17375 82459
Conservation Area: Brentham Garden Estate

Notes: Substantial Arts and Crafts clubhouse by George Sutcliffe, originally for residents of Brentham Garden Estate (now open membership). Many original internal features, including billiard room with original furniture and alcoves. Plaque to former member Fred Perry (in addition to English Heritage blue plaque at 223 Pitshanger Lane, also on Brentham Garden Estate, where Perry grew up in 1920s). Extensive club grounds include bowling green with colonial-style timber pavilion (replica built 2013 after fire destroyed original, dated c.1916-30).

10.4 Redcar Close, Racecourse Estate, Northolt Park © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

10.4 site of former Northolt Park racecourse

Racecourse Estate, Northolt Park UB5

Club: n/a
Sport/s: Pony racing
Owner: LB of Ealing
Date: 1929-1940
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 13078 85127 (Grandstand Way)
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: 147 acre site, operated by Northolt Park Racecourse Company on behalf of Pony Turf Club. Featured seven modern grandstands, including first two cantilevered stands recorded in Britain (2,000 and 500 seats), both by engineer Oscar Faber. Racing ceased 1940, stand demolition completed 1955. Roads on new Ealing Borough Council estate named after racecourses: Ascot Close, Haydock Avenue, Kempton Avenue, Newmarket Avenue, Plumpton Close, Redcar Close, Southwell Avenue and Thirsk Close. Grandstand Way laid out in late C20. Section of course remains as open space, running parallel with Mandeville Road. Original entrance gates *in situ* where Dabbs Hill Lane (now footpath) meets Petts Hill.

10.5 Ealing Village outdoor swimming pool & club room
Ealing Village, off Hanger Lane W5 2NB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential company
Date: 1934
Designation: Grade II (21.3.1991)
List entry: 1249909 / 1079335
NGR: TQ 18434 81014
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Outdoor pool in centre of Dutch Colonial-style private housing estate originally built to provide accommodation for actors and staff from Ealing Film Studios. Designed by R Toms & Partners for the Bell Property Company. Adjoining pool, clubroom with green pantile roof housing billiard room.

10.6 Acton Park bowls pavilion
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10.6 Acton Park bowls pavilion
Acton Park, East Churchfield Road W3 7LP

Club: Acton Park Bowling Club (f.1910)
Sport: bowls
Owner: LB of Ealing
Date: 1936
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20829 80280
Conservation Area: Acton Park

Notes: Single storey brick in nw corner of Acton Park (opened 1888). Typical inter war municipal park pavilion. Brick with tiled roof, steel framed windows, verandah topped by 1936 date stone. Bowling green laid out 1910, bordered by tennis courts (since removed). Second green to south re-landscaped as formal garden. East bay of pavilion houses café for park visitors.

Also in Ealing:

10.7 King George's Field
Poor's Piece, St Mark's Road, Ealing W7
1.25 acre field, one of 31 London sites endowed 1940 by King George's Fields Foundation (1936-65). Heraldic gates at entrance.

10.8 King George's Field
Durdans Park, Lady Margaret Road, Southall UB1
29.5 acre field, endowed 1955. Heraldic gates at entrance.

11.0 Enfield

11.1 Pavilion at the Walker Ground, Southgate
© Walker Trust

11.1 The Walker Ground

Waterfall Road, Southgate N14 7JZ

Clubs: Southgate Cricket Club (f.1855), Southgate Adelaide CC (f.1870), Weld Tennis Club (f.1924), Southgate Adelaide Hockey Club (f.1926), Southgate Rugby Club (f.1930s), Southgate Squash & Racketball Club (f.1967), Oakhill Tigers FC (f.1997)
Sport/s: cricket, hockey, rugby, football, tennis, squash, racketball
Owner: The Walker Trust
Date: 1855
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29510 93551
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Historic and picturesque sports ground established by John Walker, one of seven Walker brothers who played first class cricket, laid out ground and founded Middlesex County Cricket Club in 1864. Ground originally called Chapel Fields, renamed Walker Ground 1873. Ownership transferred to trust 1906. Has since been home to several clubs. Example of ground of considerable historical importance in Middlesex cricket, but with no buildings of historic importance. Pavilion (b.1967) houses artefacts relating to Walker brothers.

11.2 Pavilion at Enfield Cricket Ground
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11.2 Enfield Cricket Club

9 Lincoln Road, Enfield EN1 2RY

Clubs: Enfield Cricket Club (f.1856), Enfield Old Grammarians Football Club (f.1923), Enfield CC Lawn Tennis Club (f.c.1900)
Sport/s: cricket, football, tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1867
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33158 96042
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: As above (11.1) a multi-sport ground with no buildings of historic note but of longstanding importance in context of Middlesex cricket and community sport generally. Functional 1960s pavilion with steel columns, timber facia and viewing balcony with clock, replaced original destroyed in WW2. Ground was also base of Enfield Hockey Club before its merger with Winchmore Hill and relocation to Paulin Ground (11.3).

11.3 Pavilion at the Paulin Ground, Winchmore Hill
© Winchmore Hill Cricket Club

11.3 Winchmore Hill Sports Club

The Paulin Ground, Ford's Grove N21 3ER

Clubs: Winchmore Hill Cricket Club (f.1880), Winchmore Hill Tennis Club (f.1912), Winchmore Hill Football Club (f.1920), Winchmore Hill Table Tennis Club (f.1945), Winchmore Hill & Enfield Hockey Club (f.1919, merged 2003)
Sport/s: cricket, football, hockey, tennis, table tennis
Owner: private sports club
Date: 1880
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32283 94414
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: As above (11.1 & 11.2) a multi-sport ground with no buildings of historic note but of longstanding importance in context of Middlesex cricket and community sport generally. Cricket recorded in area from 1871. Ground originally private park, purchased for club in 1920 by Paulin family, local philanthropists and cricket club members (of brewers Mann Crossman & Paulin). Renamed Paulin Ground 1948, Mann family also involved in club. Core of pavilion dates from 1922, was former Officers' Mess from wartime army camp at Wimbledon, refurbished 1958, with 1974 extension.

11.4 Enfield Drill Hall
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11.4 Enfield Drill Hall

1 Old Park Avenue, Enfield EN2 6PJ

Club: Drill Hall Sports Club (f.1997)
Sport/s: badminton, archery, rifle shooting
Owner: LB of Enfield
Date: 1901
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32305 96637
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Drill Hall, brick with stone facings. Typical plan, with two storey façade to street featuring stepped gable and twin octagonal turrets (offering ventilation), leading to large central hall with offices and clubrooms above and to rear, plus shooting range in basement.

11.5 Bush Hill Park bowls clubhouse
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11.5 Bush Hill Park Bowls, Tennis and Social Club

Abbey Road, Bush Hill Park, Enfield EN1 2PQ

Club: Bush Hill Park Bowls, Tennis and Social Club (f.1912)
Sport/s: bowls, tennis, snooker, darts
Owner: private club
Date: 1905
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33466 95582
Conservation Area: Bush Hill Park

Notes: Substantial, well-maintained brick clubhouse with half-timbered exterior facing Abbey Road, prominent chimneys, tiled roof, cupola and imposing central club room with exposed timber beams, plus later additions (billiard room 1930, verandah). Built originally for residents of Bush Hill Park Estate. Membership extended to public 1912. Single bowling green, tennis courts and small timber tennis pavilion with verandah and felt roof.

11.6 Terrace cover at Henry Barrass Stadium, Edmonton © Flickr

11.6 Henry Barrass Stadium

Houndsfield Road, Edmonton N9 7RA

Club: various, inc. Old Edmontonians FC (f.1926)
Sport/s: football, formerly athletics
Owner : LB of Enfield
Date: 1927
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 34459 94578
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Sports ground laid out by Edmonton Council in 1925 as Houndsfield Recreation Ground. Redeveloped 1927 and re-named after local councillor. Track, originally used by North London Harriers, grassed over in 1990s. Basic shelter for spectators on grass bank was originally at Edmonton Greyhound Stadium on Eastbournia Avenue/Barrowfield Close (1933-48), re-erected at Henry Barrass Stadium in 1948. Stand roof only remains over grass bank. To immediate north lies Jubilee Park, opened 1939, including bowling green used by Jubilee Park Bowling Club (1939-2012) and pitch and putt course. To immediate east is site of Houndsfield Lido (1927-80), now housing on Water Lane.

11.7 Arnos Pool entrance
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11.7 Arnos Pool

269 Bowes Road, New Southgate N11 1BD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Enfield
Date: 1939
Designation: Grade II (7.8.2000)
List entry: 1381394
NGR: TQ 29553 92382
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick with metal casement windows, flat roofs, designed by WT Curtis (Middlesex County Council), and HW Burchett (Education Committee). Entrance hall features distinctive oval roof light with Vitruvian scroll in plaster, moulded in wave form. Single pool hall has late C20 suspended ceiling. Forms part of progressive complex with library and clinic.

11.8 Queen Elizabeth Stadium grandstand
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11.8 Queen Elizabeth Stadium grandstand

3 Donkey Lane, Enfield EN1 3PL

Club: Enfield Town FC (f.2001)
Sport/s: athletics, football
Owner: LB of Enfield
Date: 1939-1953
Designation: Grade II (23.1.2003)
List entry: 1350371
NGR: TQ 34018 97383
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick and concrete grandstand in Moderne style, with bowed ends, flat roofs, overhanging cornices, consisting of ground floor changing rooms and upper storey club room accessed via round staircase (with original hand rails, cantilevered concrete steps and metal windows, and word CAFE picked out in white), plus seated area for 105 at northern end. Work commenced in 1939 before completion in 1953 (hence dedication to Queen Elizabeth). Architect unknown. Building and track refurbished after decades of dereliction in 2010-11. Also on site 1930s Green Keeper's Cottage (unlisted) and 1938 Central Pavilion (unlisted) to south, serving extensive playing fields (33 pitches, second in extent only to Hackney Marshes in London). Southern end of site used to house both a football ground (Enfield FC, 1936-99, now housing) and lido (1932-91, now indoor leisure centre). See also 11.16.

Also in Enfield:

11.9 **Selborne Bowling Club** (f.1912)
The Mall, Southgate N14 6LL
Green associated with neighbouring public house, Cherry Tree Inn, recorded in 1840. Green revived 1912 when club formed (named after nearby road). Club has operated independently of pub since 1970s, with final ties ceasing 1998. Two sites now split. Clubhouse dates from 1970s.

11.10 **Bush Hill Park Golf Club** (f.1895)
Bush Hill, Winchmore Hill N21 2BU
Golf club based in Old Park Mansion House (c.1705 with C19 and C20 additions, locally listed) since 1922. Course forms part of former Old Park, royal hunting ground. Grade II listed lodge at entrance.

11.11 **Hadley Wood Golf Club** (f.1922)
Beech Hill, Barnet EN4 0JJ
Club based in Grade II late C18 mansion, Russell Mansion, and stable block, with course designed by Dr Alister MacKenzie. List entry: 1294740

11.12 **Whitewebbs Golf Club** (f.1932)
Clay Hill, Beggars Hollow, Enfield EN2 9JW
Public golf course opened by Enfield UDC / Middlesex County Council 1932. Set in Whitewebbs Park, formerly part of Enfield Chase, hunting grounds broken up in 1779, and Enfield Common, enclosed 1803. Whitewebbs House (b.1791, locally listed) not associated with golf club. North and South Lodges, barn and farmhouse all Grade II.

King George's Fields
Five sites in Enfield endowed by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V:

11.13 Albany Park, Albany Road EN3 5PA
14.75 acres, endowed 1935
11.14 Aldersbrook Avenue Recreation Ground* EN1 3JF
2.00 acres, endowed 1936
11.15 Delhi Gardens*, Delhi Road EN1 2NB
9.00 acres, endowed 1938
11.16 Enfield Playing Fields* (formerly Bury Farm), Donkey Lane, Enfield EN1 3SD
126.00 acres, endowed 1939 (see also 11.8)
11.17 North Enfield Rec / Tucker's Field, Clay Hill EN2 0DS
10.00 acres, endowed 1939

Note: 471 sites were endowed 1935-65, inc. 31 in London. Those marked * have original brick gates with heraldic panels in stone (for example see 12.14).

11.18 Saracens Amateurs' stand at Bramley Road
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11.18 Saracens Rugby Football Club (f.1876)
Bramley Sports Ground, Green Road, Southgate N14 4AB
Bramley Road was club's 12th ground, leased from Municipal Borough of Southgate in 1939 but not occupied until 1945. Now owned by LB of Enfield. Professional club formed 1996, has played at Copthall Stadium (2.3), since 2013. Bramley Road (three pitches and clubhouse) now home to Saracens' amateur and youth teams. Small concrete and steel stand dates from 1951.

11.19 Lee Valley Athletics Centre
61 Meridian Way, Picketts Lock, Edmonton N9 0AR
David Morley Associates, indoor and outdoor athletics centre, opened 2007 on site adjacent to Lee Valley Golf Course (1972) and Lee Valley Indoor Bowling Club (1973), both built on former tip. Also on site was Picketts Lock Leisure Centre (1973-2003).

12.0 Greenwich

12.1 Skittle alley at Royal Naval College
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12.1 Royal Naval College skittle alley

King William Walk, Greenwich SE10 9NN

Club: n/a
Sport/s: skittles
Owner: Old Naval College
Date: c.1865
Designation: alley unlisted, but college building Grade I
List entry: 1211384 (college building)
NGR: TQ 38677 77909
Conservation Area: Greenwich Park

Notes: One of only three known surviving double skittle alleys in Britain, an American form imported in the mid C19, a precursor of modern ten pin bowling (as opposed to more common Old English skittles played in pub alleys, see 6.6). Located in sw corner basement of Queen Mary Court, formerly occupied by Royal Hospital for Seamen, installed for inmates. Said to have been formed from timbers of ships broken at Deptford shipyards, using lignum vitae practice cannonballs as bowls. Alley can still be played on by visitors.

12.2 Rectory Field pavilion, built 1886
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12.2 Rectory Field pavilion

Charlton Road, Blackheath SE3 8SR

Club: Blackheath Cricket, Football and Lawn Tennis Club
Sport/s: cricket, rugby, tennis
Owner: private sports club
Date: 1886
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 40871 77391
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Multi-sport club founded by Blackheath Football Club (f.1858) founder members of both Football Association and Rugby Football Union. Joined by cricket and tennis clubs to form holding company in 1885. Pavilion erected 1886, since altered and extended, houses interesting artefacts. Ground was prominent rugby venue before Twickenham opened 1909 and occasional venue for Kent County Cricket Club. Example of historic ground but with no buildings of note.

12.3 Surviving terraces of Invicta Athletic Ground in back gardens of houses on Hector Street SE18
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12.3 surviving terraces of Invicta Athletic Ground

rear gardens of houses on Hector Street (south side), Plumstead SE18 1AS

Club: Woolwich Arsenal FC (now Arsenal)
Sport/s: football, athletics
Owner: private residences
Date: 1890-93
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 45036 78541
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Extremely rare, probably unique example of concrete terracing for standing spectators that survive following the redevelopment of a sports ground. Terraces originally formed southern end of ground rented by Woolwich Arsenal FC. Ground was redeveloped with housing in 1897.

12.4 former Woolwich Polytechnic with incorporated gymnasium at rear
© University of Greenwich

12.4 Woolwich Polytechnic, former gymnasium

Calderwood Street (SE side) and Thomas Street SE18

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: unclear (was University of Greenwich)
Date: 1890-91
Designation: forms part of block listed Grade II (25.09.2003)
List entry: 1390637
NGR: TQ 43475 78883
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former buildings of Woolwich Polytechnic, by HH Church, incorporating gymnasium at rear, brick with open truss timber roof, original detailing to walls. Later used as lecture room. Current status uncertain.

12.5 former Woolwich Baths
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12.5 University of Greenwich, former Woolwich Baths

Bathway, Woolwich SE18 6QX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: University of Greenwich
Date: 1894
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 43426 78835
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former public baths designed by HH Church, with two pools (100' x 40' and 90' x 40') plus 52 slipper baths. Red brick with stone dressings, Dutch gables, largely extant, inc. original square chimney and decorative entrance block with 1930s etched glass. Pool halls, steel framed roofs and two balconies of main pool extant. Closed c.1982, since converted into drama studios for University of Greenwich, known as 'The Old Baths'.

12.6 The Valley
© English Heritage Archive

12.6 The Valley football stadium

Floyd Road, Charlton SE7 8BL

Club: Charlton Athletic Football Club (f.1905)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Charlton Athletic Football Club
Date: 1919
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 41540 78334
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Football ground originally formed from chalk pit. Was once largest club ground in London, with estimated capacity of 80,000 (highest attendance being 75,000 in 1938). Focus of popular protest (the 'Back to the Valley' campaign) when closed from 1985-92 owing to property dispute. Since redeveloped on three sides. No buildings of historic note but stand (b.1980) named after manager Jimmy Seed (1895-1966), statue (2005, by Anthony Hawken) of Charlton goalkeeper Sam Bartram (1914-81) by entrance. Current capacity 27,111.

12.7 Arches Leisure Centre
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12.7 Arches Leisure Centre

80 Trafalgar Road, Greenwich SE10 9UX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: Royal Borough of Greenwich
Date: 1928
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 39000 77967
Conservation Area: East Greenwich

Notes: Municipal baths designed by Horth & Andrew. Brick with stone dressings, tiled roof, metal frame windows. Derives name from three arched entrances, originally to separate sections housing first class pool (100' x 40'), second class (80' x 40') and ladies (70' x 36'). Converted into leisure centre in 1988. Large pool now leisure pool, ladies pool now fitness centre. Most original interior details lost.

12.8 Woolwich Polytechnic pavilion
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12.8 former Woolwich Polytechnic Sports Club pavilion

Kidbrooke Lane, Eltham SE9 2UG

Club: University of Greenwich Sports Club
Sport/s: football, rugby, cricket
Owner: University of Greenwich
Date: 1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 42324 75198
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Basic brick pavilion built for Woolwich Polytechnic Sports Club, later Thames Polytechnic, now University of Greenwich, with post war extensions. War memorial ironwork gates, designed by LSM Prince (b.1948) at entrance.

12.9 former Siemens Sports Club pavilion
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12.9 former Siemens Sports Club pavilion

Charlton Park Lane SE7 8QS

Club: Meridian Sports & Social Club Ltd
Sport/s: football, martial arts
Owner: limited company
Date: c.1936-37
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 42225 77543
Conservation Area: Woolwich Common

Notes: Substantial brick pavilion with slate roofs, built for Siemens Employees Club (f.1921) on ground purchased in 1933. Staged numerous sports and social activities. Architects not recorded. Remained in company ownership until Siemens' Woolwich factory closed in 1968. Lay derelict 1967-77 until renovated by reformed Meridian club.

12.10 Charlton Lido
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12.10 Charlton Lido and Lifestyle Club

Hornfair Park, Shooters Hill Road SE18 4LX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: aquatics
Owner: Royal Borough of Greenwich
Date: 1939
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 41702 77123
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Last of the LCC Lidos opened between the wars, designed by H Rowbotham and TL Smithson. Brick compound with curved Critall doors facing south end, rectangular café block at north. Unusual semi-circular aerator fountains against walls in north east and north west corners, with separate children's pool. Otherwise sparser than other LCC examples (perhaps owing to timing of construction). Revamped in 2011-13 after decade of partial closures.

12.14 Memorial gateway to King George's Field, Well Hall Road © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

Also in Greenwich:

12.11 Eltham Lodge (b.1665)
Court Road, Eltham SE9 5AF
Grade I listed clubhouse, built by Hugh May (list entry 1358953). Taken over by Eltham Golf Club in 1891, and by Royal Blackheath Golf Club (f.C18) in 1923.

12.12 Trafalgar Rowing Centre (c.1830)
11-13 Crane Street SE10 9NP
Grade II listed riverfront building (list entry 1079043), serving as clubhouse of two rowing clubs: Curlew Rowing Club (f.1866) and Globe Rowing Club (f.1923).

12.13 'Lowood' (b.1874)
Eaglesfield Road, Shooters Hill SE18 3DA
Locally listed former private house, designed by Edward Dru Drury, early example of concrete structure. Became clubhouse of Shooters Hill Golf Club in 1903.

12.14 King George's Field (endowed 1953)
Little Eltham Common, Well Hall Road SE9
Five acre site endowed by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. Features brick gates with heraldic panels in stone.

12.15 Sutcliffe Park athletics stadium (b.1954)
Sutcliffe Park, Eltham Road SE9 5LW
Public athletics track, upgraded 2002. Used by Cambridge Harriers (f.1891). No buildings of historic interest.

13.0 Hackney

13.1 Verdon's boathouse, Springhill
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13.1 Verdon's Boathouse
Springhill, Clapton E5 9BL

Club: Lea Rowing Club (f.1980)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: private club
Date: c.1870s
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 34602 87840
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey, London stock brick shed with timber doors, gothic openings, red brick detailing and decorative bargeboards, built c.1870s when this stretch of River Lea was used by numerous rowing clubs (22 formed River Lea Amateur Rowing Association in 1881). Recorded in 1879 as receiving station for Royal Humane Society. Known after original boatyard owner, but also sometimes referred to as Tyrell's (a later boat builder). Adjacent boathouse b.1970.

13.2 former Skinners' Company School for Girls gymnasium
117 Stamford Hill, Hackney N16 5RS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: private school
Date: 1893
Designation: Grade II (18.9.2008)
List entry: 1392846
NGR: TQ 33614 87740
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Red brick gymnasium by W Campbell-Jones added to original school (b.1889, for the Skinners' Company, architect EH Burnell). Interior arched braced timber roof, with gallery at north end featuring cast iron balustrade. Example of well endowed provision at a time when Swedish gymnastics was becoming part of school curriculum and girls in middle class schools were being introduced to physical culture. Gymnasium now used as hall by private primary school.

13.3 Kings Hall Leisure Centre
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13.3 King's Hall Leisure Centre, former Hackney Baths

37-41 Lower Clapton Road, Hackney E5 0NU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, dry sports, fitness centre
Owner: LB of Hackney
Date: 1897
Designation: Grade II (31.1.2003)
List entry: 1096051
NGR: TQ 35121 85392
Conservation Area: Clapton Square

Notes: Public swimming pool and baths b.1894-97, by Edward Harnor and Frederick Pinches. Portland stone front with slate roof. Three pool complex: first class (120' x 40') now sub-divided, with iron trussed roof, gallery balconies; second class (90' x 35') now dance studio; ladies pool (80' x 30') now sports hall, with timber hammerbeam roof. Slipper bath section (73 total) redeveloped in 1930s and 1990s. Wash-house demolished 1979. Original decorative tiling survives on stairway. In 1913-14 Hackney Baths was recorded as the busiest public baths complex in Britain, with 380,740 annual users (cf. 315,513 at second busiest, St Pancras Baths, see 6.3). Demonstrates how local authorities sought sites on main roads, but had to extend facilities to rear on often awkwardly shaped and constrained footprint.

13.4 Haggerston Baths
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13.4 Haggerston Baths

Whiston Road, Haggerston EC2 8BN

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Hackney
Date: 1904
Designation: Grade II (9.12.1988)
List entry: 1235838
NGR: TQ 33873 83577
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Red brick with stone facings, cupola, designed to high specifications for Shoreditch Council by baths specialist Alfred Cross, unusually with ornate façades to front and rear. Single pool (100' x 35'), 91 slipper baths and wash-house. Early use of non-slip floors, raised cubicles and recessed skylights. Also popular boxing venue in winter. Renovated in 1960s and 1980s, but closed in 2000. Since subject to various community-led proposals for re-use. On Heritage at Risk Register 2014.

13.5 London Fields Lido
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13.5 London Fields Lido

London Fields (West Side) E8 3EU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, fitness centre
Owner: LB of Hackney
Date: 1932
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 34525 84417
Conservation Area: Graham Road and Mapledene

Notes: Former LCC lido, brick compound style (possibly from LCC Parks Dept design office of Rowbotham and Smithson). 50m pool with paved sunbathing areas. Closed in 1988 at same time as Victoria Park Lido, now a car park. Lay derelict until community campaign led to £2.5 million refurbishment and re-opening in 2006. New entrance block, changing rooms and poolside lockers. Pool water heated. One of several refurbished inter-war lidos spearheading revival nationwide.

13.6 Gilbert Johnstone boathouse, Hackney Wick
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13.6 Gilbert Johnstone Boathouse

127 Wallis Road, Hackney Wick E9 5LN

Club: Eton Mission Rowing Club (f.1885)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Eton Mission Rowing Club
Date: 1934
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37209 84711
Conservation Area: Hackney Wick

Notes: Utilitarian boathouse on west bank of Lee Navigation canal. Two storey brick with stone dressings, belonging to oldest rowing club in Lee Valley, established by Eton Mission amongst poor of Hackney Wick. Boathouse dedicated to Old Etonian, Gilbert Johnstone. Lintel above main door commemorates Johnstone's three rowing brothers. Listed for its historical associations amid rapidly changing Wick canal-side scene (the Copper Box stands on opposite side of canal in Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park).

13.7 Hackney Marshes Centre
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Also in Hackney:

13.7 Hackney Marshes Centre (b. 2011)

Homerton Road E9 5PF
Award winning pavilion by Stanton Williams architects, clad in Corten steel. Serves southern section of the Marsh, football, rugby, cricket.

14.0 Hammersmith and Fulham

14.1 Hurlingham Club frontage and croquet lawn
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14.1 The Hurlingham Club

Ranelagh Gardens SW6 3PR

Club: The Hurlingham Club (f.1869)
Sport/s: lawn tennis, croquet, cricket, squash, swimming
Owner: The Hurlingham Club
Date: clubhouse 1760 with additions, 1797, 1900, 1982, 2004
Designation: Grade II* (7.7.1954)
List entry: 1192658
NGR: TQ 25059 75670
Conservation Area: Hurlingham

Notes: Neo-classical riverfront house, extended by George Byfield in 1797, in club ownership since 1869, adapted and extended since to accommodate sporting and social functions. Set in 17 ha park (with late C18 elements by Sir Humphrey Repton). Club formed for pigeon shooting, adopted new sport of polo in 1874, became headquarters of governing body (Hurlingham Polo Association, now based Oxon). House extended early C19 by Sir Edwin Lutyens. Grounds contain range of small pavilions and outdoor swimming pool (b.1933, modernised 2012). Hurlingham Park to east was originally No 1 Polo Ground of Hurlingham Club, compulsorily purchased in 1951.

14.2 Anchor Boathouse, 14 Lower Mall
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14.2 Anchor boathouse

14 Lower Mall, Hammersmith W6 9DJ

Club: Auriol Kensington Rowing Club (f.1981 by merger of Kensington RC, f.1872, and Auriol RC, f.1896)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Auriol Kensington Rowing Club
Date: c.1869
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22916 78221
Conservation Area: The Mall

Notes: Two storey brick boathouse built by boatmaker William Biffen, with rooftop extension set back from riverfront added 2004. Follows standard boathouse layout, with accommodation for boats on ground floor, social areas on first floor. Auriol RC took over freehold in 1947. Plaque over entrance to Wm Kinnear (1880-1974), member of Kensington RC, gold medallist at 1912 Olympics. History of boathouse closely allied to neighbouring public house, the Blue Anchor (former base of Kensington RC), also run by Biffen family. To rear is former Rutland Boatyard.

14.3 The Queen's Club pavilion during the 2010 Aegon Championships, with the real tennis courts obscured behind temporary stands on right.
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14.3 The East (or Championship) Real Tennis Court at the Queen's Club, one of two
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14.3 The East and West Indoor Lawn Tennis Courts at the Queen's Club, possibly the oldest of their type in Britain, originally with wooden flooring
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14.3 The Queen's Club

Palliser Road, West Kensington W14 9EQ

Club: The Queen's Club
Sport/s: lawn tennis, real tennis, squash, rackets
Owner: private club
Date: 1886-88 with late C20 additions
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24192 78001
Conservation Area: Queen's Club Gardens

Notes: Multi-sports club on 4.4 ha site, with core Victorian buildings by William Marshall, centred upon two storey pavilion on west side, brown brick with terracotta detailing, casement windows, hipped roof with modern clay tiles, shallow viewing terrace and first floor timber viewing balcony facing east. Flanking pavilion towers topped at roof level by pedimented Dutch gables with ornate terracotta mouldings, displaying clock (south), club crest and date 1886 (although building opened 1887). Ground floor clubroom extends full length of pavilion. Interiors otherwise much altered.

North of pavilion, adjoining yellow stock brick block, housing two real tennis courts, aligned north south, each with timber trussed roofs and lantern skylights. Social areas have on display artefacts from real tennis history. Upper floor houses offices of Tennis and Rackets Association, the governing body of real tennis and rackets, f.1907.

North of real tennis courts, Centenary House, built by the Lawn Tennis Association in 1986. The Queen's Club served as base of the LTA 1959-2007.

To immediate south of pavilion, two rackets courts, aligned east west, each with lantern rooflights. Behind pavilion, on west side (parallel with Field Road), two indoor lawn tennis courts, aligned north south, the oldest known in Britain, both 1888, brick sheds with iron open truss roofs, artificial lighting.

Queen's is best known as the venue for an annual pre-Wimbledon lawn tennis tournament, first staged 1890, current attendance over week c.52,000. Temporary centre court holds c.6,500. Grounds also staged annual Varsity athletics, football and rugby until 1928. Has specialised in racket sports since, now houses 37 lawn tennis courts. Other late C20 buildings/additions within the site house indoor tennis courts, squash courts, a fitness centre, offices, club shop and hospitality areas, none of note.

14.4 former Fulham Baths, North End Road
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14.4 Fulham Baths former entrance block
368 North End Road, Fulham SW6 1LY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Hammersmith and Fulham
Date: 1902
Designation: Grade 11 (27.9.1978)
List entry: 1192468
NGR: TQ 25128 77337
Conservation Area: Walham Green

Notes: Entrance block of Fulham municipal baths in free classical, Edwardian baroque style, by E Deighton Pearson. Original complex occupied long thin site extending westwards, with three pools (100' x 30', 125' x 33' and 60' x 20'), 143 slipper baths and wash-house. Threatened closure of baths in 1979 led to famous community occupation lasting 13 months. Baths closed 1981, bulk of structures to rear demolished. Remainder in use as dance studios. Some interior details, stairs, doorways and tiled areas survive, including on external wall in St John's Close.

14.5 former skittle alley at Black Lion pub
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14.5 Black Lion skittle alley
2 South Black Lion Lane, Hammersmith W6 9TJ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: Old English or London skittles
Owner: private business
Date: c.1900s, possibly extended in 1930s
Designation: unlisted, but main pub Grade II
List entry: main pub 1192979
NGR: TQ 22177 78285
Conservation Area: The Mall

Notes: Early C20 extension to rear of late C18 Black Lion pub set in walled garden. Single storey brick, stucco exterior, rustic tile roof. Historic importance as home of skittle alley popularised by author and politician AP Herbert, who lived in nearby Hammersmith Terrace (marked by blue plaque) and did much to champion this form of skittles, played mainly in London and south east. Alley last used in 1960s, fittings cleared. Current interior allows for version of West Country skittles but is otherwise integrated with main pub. Old English or London skittles now played only in one alley (see 6.6).

14.6 Stevenage Road frontage of Johnny Haynes Stand with attached turnstile blocks, Craven Cottage © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

14.6 Pitchside view of Johnny Haynes Stand, Craven Cottage, showing centre roof gable
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14.6 Johnny Haynes grandstand and turnstile blocks

Craven Cottage football ground, Stevenage Road, Fulham SW6 6HH

Club: Fulham Football Club (f.1879)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Fulham FC
Date: 1905
Designation: Grade II (24.3.1987)
List entry: 1079754
NGR: TQ 23650 76621
Conservation Area: Fulham Reach

Notes: On site of former hunting lodge called Craven Cottage, first occupied by Fulham FC in 1896. Well preserved and now rare example of once common early C20 grandstand, designed by leading football ground designer of period, Archibald Leitch. Stevenage Road façade in red brick with stone dressings and cartouches, with five prominent gables, echoing style common to surrounding residential streets and public buildings on Fulham Palace Road. Interior utilitarian, iron latticework columns, open truss steel frame roof, timber terracing and original contoured timber, tip-up seats in rear section. Front section formerly concrete terracing, covered by steel flooring fitted with plastic seats in 1992. Brickwork restored 2004-05. Hospitality lounges inserted in upper rear; roof and central gable (bearing club name) reclad in 2013. Current seating total 5,879. Stand named on its centenary in 2005 after Fulham player Johnny Haynes (1934-2005), whose statue (by Douglas Jennings) on plinth by main entrance. Listing includes red brick turnstile blocks at each end of grandstand.

14.7 Pitchside view of pavilion, or 'Craven Cottage', at Craven Cottage football ground, showing balcony ironwork and gable
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14.7 Craven Cottage football stadium pavilion

Stevenage Road, Fulham SW6 6HH

Club: Fulham Football Club
Sport/s: football
Owner: Fulham FC
Date: 1905
Designation: Grade II (24.3.1987)
List entry: 1358582
NGR: TQ 23675 76558
Conservation Area: Fulham Reach

Notes: Two storey detached brick pavilion by Archibald Leitch, contemporary with adjoining Johnny Haynes grandstand (14.6). Vernacular style, slate roofs. Known as 'Craven Cottage', housing dressing rooms on ground floor, offices on upper floor. Set at angle facing south-west corner of pitch, a configuration once common in Scottish football, now unique in senior game. Original ironwork and columns on balcony of viewing gallery.

14.8 Stamford Bridge football stadium
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14.8 Stamford Bridge football stadium
Fulham Road SW6 1HS

Club: Chelsea Football Club (f.1905)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Chelsea FC / Chelsea Pitch Owners
Date: 1905, redeveloped in phases 1972-2001
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25763 77350
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Football stadium on site of athletics ground first laid out by London Athletic Club in 1877 and redeveloped in 1905 by local builder Joseph Mears, to designs of Archibald Leitch (who was working on Craven Cottage, 14.7, at same time). Rented to newly formed Chelsea FC. Athletics usage continued until 1930s. Greyhound racing staged 1932-68. Stadium modernised in phases since 1972. Historic interest consists of club museum, statue to Peter Osgood (1947-2006), by Philip Jackson (2010), and roughcast concrete retaining wall at rear of Shed End Stand, the only surviving element of the original Leitch stadium. Current stands include three tier East Stand by Darbourne & Darke (1974) and Matthew Harding Stand by HOK Sport with interesting catenary steel cable supported roof by engineer Stephen Morley (1993). Current capacity 41,837, cf record attendance of 82,905 in 1935.

14.9 former Hammersmith Baths, Lime Grove
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14.9 Hammersmith Baths former entrance block
Lime Grove, Hammersmith W12 8EA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential
Date: 1907
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23094 79766
Conservation Area: Coningham and Lime Grove

Notes: Entrance block to Hammersmith municipal baths, red brick with Portland stone dressings, in Edwardian Baroque, by J Ernest Franck. Original complex featured innovative reinforced concrete roof over first class pool, two pools (105' x 34', and 100' x 30'), 27 slipper baths, 36 Lassar (shower) baths and wash-house. Baths closed c.1985, only entrance block retained, converted to residential use.

14.10 former Temperance Billiard Hall, now the Temperance pub © English Heritage Archive

14.10 Temperance pub, former Temperance Billiard Hall

90 Fulham High Street SW6 3LF

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, snooker
Owner: private business
Date: 1910
Designation: Grade II (15.1.2007)
List entry: 1391840
NGR: TQ 24390 76010
Conservation Area: Bishops Park

Notes: One of nine surviving former billiard halls built in London by the Temperance Billiard Hall Company between 1907-39, designed by company architect Norman Evans in playful Art Nouveau styling, with late C20 additions at 90b Fulham High Street (not listed). Building straddles corner, close to station, as was company policy, in attempt to attract white collar office workers. Exterior features curving brick walls on Church Row, corner entrance with tiled doorway and cupola, stained glass windows, decorative tiling, dormer windows. Interior much altered but open steel truss roofs intact. Other examples of this company's billiard halls include 23.4; 23.5; 23.7; 24.4; 27.2. Other surviving examples are in the Greater Manchester area.

14.11 Loftus Road football stadium
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14.11 Loftus Road football stadium

South Africa Road, Shepherd's Bush W12 7PJ

Club: Queen's Park Rangers Football Club (f.1886)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Queen's Park Rangers FC
Date: 1917, redeveloped in phases 1968-81
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22788 80457
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Football stadium, originally a field used by Shepherd's Bush FC from 1903-15, occupied by QPR in 1917. Was heralded as example of modern utilitarian design after redevelopment in period 1968-81. Further refined since to create all-seated capacity of 18,439, cf. record attendance of 35,353 (1974). No buildings of historic interest. Stadium scheduled to be vacated when club build new stadium at Old Oak Common. If realised new stadium will be 13th different site used by club, a record in British football. Founding place of QPR extant, see 8.22.

14.12 Tennis pavilion at Bishop's Park, Fulham
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14.12 Bishop's Park tennis pavilion

Bishops Avenue, Fulham SW6 6DZ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: tennis
Owner: LB of Hammersmith and Fulham
Date: 1923
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24055 76422
Conservation Area: Bishop's Park

Notes: Parks pavilion, brick with gable ended wings, gable windows in tiled roof, set within Grade II listed Bishop's Park (opened 1893, list entry: 1001677). Half timbered style was typical of late Victorian and Edwardian pavilions but was in decline by late 1920s, so this is relatively late example. Refurbished 1989. Serves tennis courts and adjoins greens of the Bishop's Park Bowls Club and Winnington Bowls Clubs.

14.13 former squash court at Rivercourt House, now drama studio in grounds of Latymer Prep School © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

14.13 Rivercourt House former squash court

Latymer Prep School, 36 Upper Mall W6 9TA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: squash
Owner: Latymer Foundation
Date: early 1930s
Designation: Grade II (14.3.2013)
List entry: 1412206
NGR: TQ 22533 78355
Conservation Area: The Mall

Notes: Exquisite and unique two storey brick with flat roof and in-situ concrete, serpentine windowless side walls, designed by JEM Macgregor for social activists Naomi and Dick Mitchison, owners of Rivercourt House. Garage on ground floor, squash court on upper floor, accessed by external spiral stairway topped by decorative ironwork by Gertrude Hermes. Important for architectural and social reasons, as example of how squash became fashionable in inter-war period. House and court absorbed within school grounds in 1951, court now used as drama studio.

14.14 Latymer Upper School boathouse
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14.14 Latymer Upper School boathouse
40 Upper Mall, Hammersmith W6 9TA

Club: Latymer Upper School Boat Club
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Latymer Foundation
Date: 1963
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22486 78319
Conservation Area: The Mall

Notes: Boathouse by Richard Seifert & Partners. Four storey concrete with brick facings, boathouse on ground floor with gymnasium, meeting rooms and accommodation on upper floors. Plaque on exterior dedicated to former pupil Andy Holmes MBE (1959-2010), Olympic gold medallist in 1984 and 1988.

14.15 Race starter's box, Upper Mall
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14.15 Race starter's box
Upper Mall, Hammersmith W6 9TA

Club: London Corinthian Sailing Club
Sport/s: sailing
Owner: LB of Hammersmith & Fulham
Date: 1964
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22411 78292
Conservation Area: The Mall

Notes: Distinctive steel framed starter's box for sailing races taking place on river opposite Upper Mall. Designer unknown. Won Civic Trust Award 1964. Located close to Linden House (14.17), headquarters of London Corinthian Sailing Club.

14.16 Linford Christie Stadium, Wormwood Scrubs
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14.16 Linford Christie Stadium

Du Cane Road, Wormwood Scrubs W12 0DF

Club: Thames Valley Harriers (f.1887)
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: LB of Hammersmith & Fulham
Date: 1967
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22532 81515
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Local authority athletics facility opened as West London Stadium on site of Victorian shooting range. Simple steel frame stand on brick base with changing room block (serving also Wormwood Scrubs pitches) and utilitarian athletics clubhouse. Renamed 1993 after Thames Valley Harrier Linford Christie, Olympic gold medallist. Facility revamped 2005. No buildings of historic interest, but western boundary formed by raised former rifle butts and high brick retaining wall, behind which ran route of 1908 Olympic marathon.

Also in Hammersmith and Fulham

14.17 Linden House

60 Upper Mall, Hammersmith W6 9TA
Grade II listed early C18 riverfront house (list entry 1079750), two storey brick with dormers, pedimented entrance, courtyard with iron railings. Rented by J Lyons & Co rowing club between wars. Occupied since 1962 by London Corinthian Sailing Club (f.1894) and Sons of the Thames Rowing Club (f.c.1886). Ownership taken over by Corinthian Trust in 2001.

14.18 Furnivall Sculling Club boathouse

19 Lower Mall, Hammersmith W6 9DJ
Former riverfront coffee house, three storey brick, occupied since 1912 by Furnivall Club for Girls and Men, f.1896 by philologist and keen rower Frederick James Furnivall for shop girls, waitresses and students.

14.19 former home and studio of Joseph Bickley

62a Lillie Road, West Brompton SW6 1TN
Locally listed C19 studio bearing royal crest, formerly occupied by Joseph Bickley (1835-1923), a plasterer whose patented formula for rendering walls transformed development of courts for real tennis, rackets and squash from 1889 onwards. Examples survive at Queen's Club (14.3), Lord's (8.17) and Hampton Court (28.2).

15.0 Haringey

15.1 Alexandra Palace
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15.1 Alexandra Park and Alexandra Palace

Alexandra Palace Way N22 7AY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cycling, horse racing, archery, cricket, football, swimming, ice hockey, skating, darts
Owner: LB of Haringey / Charitable Trust
Date: Park 1863 / Palace 1875, rebuilt 1988
Designation: Park Grade II (9.5.95) / Palace Grade II (1.10.96)
List entry: 1001253 / 1268256
NGR: TQ 29598 90039
Conservation Area: Alexandra Palace and Park

Notes: Landmark park and building with numerous historic sporting associations, including staging of horse racing (1868-1970), cycle racing (1875-1937), cricket (Alexandra Park CC, f.1888) and football (Alexandra Park FC, f.1898). The original holding company also operated an outdoor swimming pool 1875-c.1926, of which no trace remains. Similarly, all traces of racecourse lost. Sporting interest currently consists of ice hockey (since 1990) and darts (since 1930s, inc. annual World Darts Championships, since 2007).

15.2 Former billiard room at Salisbury Hotel
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15.2 Salisbury Hotel former billiard room

1 Grand Parade, Green Lanes N4 1JX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards and snooker
Owner: private business
Date: 1899
Designation: Grade II* (10.5.1974, whole building)
List entry: 1358865
NGR: TQ 31788 88753
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial French Renaissance public house designed and built by John Cathles Hill, developer and founder of London Brick Company. Billiard room typifies brewers' embrace of billiards in the 1890s, opting for elaborate stained glass lantern skylights (which proved unsuited to the game). Room now general bar area. Comparable with 6.2 and 26.2.

15.3 White Hart Lane football stadium
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15.3 White Hart Lane football stadium

Bill Nicholson Way, 748 High Road, Tottenham N17 0AP

Club: Tottenham Hotspur Football Club (f.1882)
Sport/s: football
Owner: Tottenham Hotspur PLC
Date: 1899
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33924 91137
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Football stadium seating 36,284, cf.75,038 (1938). Developed in phases 1909-34 under direction of ground engineer Archibald Leitch, since redeveloped on three sides, with new West Stand (E Atherden, 1982), North and South Stands (Y Yawetz, 1992-95). Leitch's East Stand (1934) redeveloped in phases (1989-99), leaving only upper seating tier, concourse elements and rear brick retaining wall facing Worcester Avenue. Stadium scheduled for complete redevelopment on site c.2015. No historic elements to be retained except former offices at 748 High Road (see 15.13).

15.4 Entrance block of former Tottenham Public Baths, now part of Bernie Grant Arts Centre
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15.4 Bernie Grant Arts Centre, former Tottenham Public Baths

Town Hall Approach Road N15 4RY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Haringey
Date: 1905
Designation: Grade II (9.8.1988)
List entry: 1079912
NGR: TQ 33613 89391
Conservation Area: Tottenham Green

Notes: Edwardian Baroque three storey entrance block of former public baths, red brick with Portland stone dressings, slate roofs, by AS Taylor and R Jemmett, now forming entrance to modern Bernie Grant Arts Centre (David Adjaye, 2007). One of group of three adjoining civic buildings by same architects: Tottenham Urban District Council Town Hall and Tottenham Fire Station (both 1905). Detached boiler house chimney of public baths also extant at rear of site.

15.5 former pavilion at Aquarius Archery Club, before it was destroyed in arson attack, 2012. To the right is a square brick building (c.1908) providing access for testing the reservoir below
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15.5 Aquarius Archery Club

Fortis Green Covered Reservoir, Southern Road N2 9LH

Club: Aquarius Archery Club (f.1966)
Sport/s: archery
Owner: Thames Water
Date: 1923
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27992 89293
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of several locations where workers at the Metropolitan Water Board formed sports clubs to utilise space provided by the company, all under the generic name of Aquarius. In this case the construction of the covered reservoir gave rise to the Aquarius Lawn Tennis & Social Club in 1923, with basic timber frame pavilion. Archery introduced 1966, tennis later phased out. Pavilion destroyed in fire 2012. Other surviving Aquarius clubs include golf club, also on a covered reservoir (29.6), and sailing club (28.25).

15.6 Crystall Pavilion at former Tottenham Gas Club
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15.6 Crystall Pavilion, former Tottenham Gas Club

80 Willoughby Lane, Upper Edmonton N17 0RT

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football
Owner: Community Action Sport
Date: 1924
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 34914 91547
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Company sports pavilion for Tottenham Gas Club (f.1908), built as war memorial on 14 acre site. Vacated by Gas Board in 1986, revived by community trust 1999. Ground renamed after Councillor Fred Knight, pavilion after Henry Crystall. War memorial plaque on display was originally at other, unknown site after being found dumped in Hornchurch. Ground now serves Tottenham Hotspur Ladies FC (f.1985, as Broxbourne Ladies).

15.7 Park Road open air pool with indoor pool and leisure centre in mid-reconstruction in background
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15.7 Park Road Pools

Park Road, Hornsey N8 8JN

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Haringey
Date: 1929
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29669 88766
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Swimming complex consisting of outdoor pool (1929), by WH Adams (165' x 75') with aerator fountain (removed 2014) and sunbathing areas. Original changing room block replaced in 1974 by indoor pool, by Leonard Vincent, Raymond Gorbing & Partners. Undergoing refurbishment 2014-15. One of four examples in London of outdoor and indoor pools on same site (see also 6.10, 18.3 and 28.14).

15.8 Pavilion at Highgate School
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15.8 Highgate School pavilion

Hampstead Lane N6 4AY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: rugby, cricket
Owner: Highgate School
Date: 1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27880 87538
Conservation Area: Highgate

Notes: Italianate pavilion in brick with overhanging tiled roofs, built as memorial to former pupils (known as Old Cholmeleians) killed in 1914-18. Architect unknown. One of many war memorial pavilions built at London public schools.

15.9 former Durnsford Road lido entrance block, now a garden centre
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15.9 former Durnsford Road lido, now Sunshine Garden Centre

Durnsford Road, Bounds Green N11 2EL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: Sunshine Garden Centre
Date: 1934-89
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29544 90975
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Five-sided brick compound lido by EP Mawson at east end of Albert Road Recreation Ground, originally with pool 165' x 92'. Since closure converted into garden centre, retaining original entrance building and sunbathing terraces. Similar conversion also at Purley Way Lido, Croydon (9.6).

15.10 Finsbury Park Track and Gym
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15.10 Finsbury Park Athletic Centre and Gymnasium

Endymion Road N4 2NQ

Club: Finsbury Park Sports Partnership
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: LB of Haringey
Date: park 1869, pavilion c.1965
Designation: Park, Grade II (1.10.1987)
List entry: 1000804
NGR: pavilion: TQ 31692 87499
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Park contains various sports facilities including tennis courts and bowling green. D-shaped cinder athletics track laid in 1920s (as at Battersea Park 33.17), converted to standard 440 yards 1952, converted to synthetic 1992. Low lying brick pavilion with viewing terrace c.1965. Infield used for American football. Facility taken over by trust in 2013.

15.11 White Hart Lane Community Sports Centre / New River Stadium © Simon Inglis/Played in Britain

15.11 White Hart Lane Community Sports Centre / New River Stadium
White Hart Lane, Wood Lane N22 5QW

Club: Haringey & Enfield Athletic Club (f.1999), London Skolars Rugby League Club (f.1995)
Sport/s: athletics, rugby, cycling
Owner: LB of Haringey
Date: 1973
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31672 91246
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Local authority multi-sports complex with steel framed cantilevered roof grandstand seating 1,000. Track associated with early career of Olympic runner Sebastian Coe, as member of Haringey AC in 1980s.

Also in Haringey:

15.12 Hornsey Cricket Club (f.1870)
Tivoli Road N8 8RE
Historic club in area where cricket first recorded 1842. Associations with cricketing Warner family (hence Warner Road nearby) and particularly Sir Pelham Warner. Clubhouse 2005. No buildings of historic interest.

15.13 The Red House
748 High Road, Tottenham N17 0AP
Detached, three storey red brick vernacular building, former coffee house b.1878-90. Served as meeting room for Tottenham Hotspur FC 1886-91 and as club offices from 1921. Locally listed.

15.14 Muswell Hill Golf Club (f.1893)
Rhodes Avenue N22 7UT
Portico of farmhouse that served as original clubhouse extant on Rhodes Avenue side of 1930s replacement.

15.15 North Middlesex Cricket Club (f.1875)
185a Park Road N8 8JJ
Ground laid out in 1902, one of cluster of sports grounds on west side of Park Road (also 15.7, 15.11) plus grounds of Highgate Cricket & Tennis Club and Crouch End CC (c.1874). No buildings of historic interest.

15.16 Highgate Golf Club (f.1904)
Denewood Road, Highgate N6 4AH
18 hole course with clubhouse c.1963. No buildings of historic interest.

16.0 Harrow

16.1 and 16.2 Aerial view of Harrow School showing Ryan Theatre in foreground, gymnasium (second from front), rackets courts (third and fourth from front), and fives courts (on left, with white roofs). © English Heritage Archive

16.1 Harrow School gymnasium

off High Street, Harrow-on-the-Hill HA1 3HP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: Harrow School
Date: 1874
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 15224 87346
Conservation Area: Harrow School

Notes: Three storey brick gymnasium by Harrow architect CF Hayward, gable ended to walkway with stone dressings, arched windows (2-3-2 on upper floor), gambrel slate roof. Last used as gymnasium 1985. Since sub-divided internally to house fencing salle, two squash courts and studio areas shared with adjoining Ryan Theatre (b.1994). Forms part of group with, to east, rackets courts (16.2) and to north, four blocks containing 16 fives courts, built in two phases, 1889-93 and 1910-11, refurbished 1960s-80s.

16.2 interior of Harrow School rackets court
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16.2 Harrow School rackets court

High Street, Harrow-on-the-Hill HA1 3HP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: rackets
Owner: Harrow School
Date: 1864
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 15236 87349
Conservation Area: Harrow School

Notes: Brick shed with glazed roof, lean-to two storey entrance houses changing rooms, workshops and viewing balcony. Court walls rendered with Bickley's patented cement. Oldest functioning rackets court in the world, with honours board dating from 1854. Adjoining court added 1964. This part of the school also noteworthy as being place where the modern game of squash (an offshoot of rackets) evolved from the 1830s onwards.

16.3 Sixth Form Pavilion at Harrow School
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16.3 Harrow School Sixth Form Pavilion
off West Street, Harrow-on-the-Hill HA1 3ER

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Harrow School
Date: 1883
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 14875 87144
Conservation Area: Roxeth Hill

Notes: Brick pavilion by architect and first Wimbledon finalist WC Marshall, with tiled, hipped roofs, clocktower, dormer windows and verandah. Stairs to rear dressing room block. Backs onto Bowlers' Shed (replica of original c.1926) and John Lyon School.

16.4 Richardson Pavilion at Harrow School
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16.4 Harrow School Richardson Pavilion
Bessborough Road, Harrow-on-the-Hill HA1 3ER

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Harrow School
Date: 1913
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 14848 87375
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Timber framed and weather boarded pavilion with tiled hipped roof and verandah, serving Philathletic Ground. Dedicated to memory of John Maunsell Richardson (1846-1912). Rear extension added 2005.

16.5 former billiard room of Bermuda House, Mount Park Road, Harrow
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16.5 Bermuda House former billiard room
Mount Park Road, Harrow-on-the-Hill HA1 3XH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards
Owner: private residence
Date: 1889
Designation: Grade II (29.7.1977)
List entry: 1285932
NGR: TQ 14910 86401
Conservation Area: Mount Park Estate

Notes: Red brick single storey with hipped tiled roof and central, octagonal roof lantern, by ES Prior, former billiard room of Bermuda House (demolished c.1975), now private home.

16.6 Henry Jones Gymnasium, now part of Harrow Arts Centre, Hatch End
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16.6 Harrow Arts Centre, former Royal Commercial Travellers School Henry Jones Gymnasium

171 Uxbridge Road, Hatch End HA5 4EA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: LB of Harrow
Date: 1912
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 13433 91130
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two storey brick with stone dressings, former gymnasium of the Royal Commercial Travellers School (1855-1967), now part of Harrow Arts Centre complex, used as resource centre. Also on site Grade II listed Elliott Hall (list entry 1079657) and school swimming pool (16.7).

16.7 Hatch End Swimming Pool
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16.7 Hatch End Swimming Pool, former Royal Commercial Travellers School swimming pool

171 Uxbridge Road, Hatch End HA5 4EA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Harrow
Date: 1929
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 13456 91107
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Swimming pool originally built for Royal Commercial Travellers School (see 16.6) and named after president of fundraising appeal, Fred Coysh. Architect unknown. Basic brick pool shed with hipped tile roof, with open steel truss roof and lantern skylights, housing 72' length pool (now 22m) plus changing rooms.

16.8 Harrow Skatepark
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16.8 Harrow Skatepark, former Solid Surf Skatepark

Harrow Leisure Centre, Christchurch Avenue HA3 5BD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: skateboarding and BMX
Owner: LB of Harrow
Date: 1978
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 16082 89592
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of four surviving examples of first wave of skateparks built in Britain in 1970s, opened as private venture called Solid Surf, now under council ownership. Designed by Adrian Rolt and G-Force, based on Californian models. Featuring six original features in Shotcrete: slalom, peanut, clover leaf, pool, snake run and half pipe. A seventh feature, the performance bowl, has been filled in on safety grounds. Only other equivalent in London is Rom Skatepark in Hornchurch (17.6).

Also in Harrow:

16.9 Field House Club, Harrow School
© Harrow School

16.9 Field House Club

West Street, Harrow on the Hill HA1 3ER
mid C19 house, bought by Harrow School 1884 to serve as dressing rooms, later as HQ of Old Harrovian cricketers. Refurbished 2005 as hospitality venue. Locally listed.

16.10 Stanmore Golf Club (f.1893)

29 Gordon Avenue, Stanmore HA7 2RL
Course established by Frederick Gordon for use of friends and guests of his hotel at Bentley Priory, became private club with help of Thomas Blackwell of Crosse & Blackwell. Single storey timber framed clubhouse with tiled roof, later extensions in brick.

16.10 Stanmore Golf Club
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16.11 The Fives Court

Moss Lane, Pinner HA5 3AG
House by Smith & Brewer, including Eton fives court, b.1900 for Ambrose Heal of furniture store family. Three walls of court survive, since converted to conservatory. Grade II, List entry: 1079674

16.12 Grim's Dyke Golf Club (f.1910)

Oxhey Lane, Hatch End, Pinner HA5 4AL
Club set up with involvement of Sir William Gilbert (of theatrical Gilbert & Sullivan). Single storey original brick clubhouse with tiled roof, much altered and extended.

16.13 Pinner Hill Golf Club Club (f.1928)
Southview Road, Pinner Hill HA5 3YA
Club based in Grade II listed house (b.1867), list entry 1358625

16.14 Harrow Borough Football Club (f.1933 as Roxonian FC)
Earlsmead, South Harrow HA2 8SS
Opened 1934, club renamed Harrow Town 1938 when ground purchased, renamed Harrow Borough 1965. Capacity 3,070. No buildings of historic interest.

16.15 Golds Gym, former Granada Cinema
1 Manor Parade, Sheepcote Road, Harrow HA1 2JN
Grade II listed cinema, 1937, by J Owen Bond with interiors by Theodore Komisarjevsky. List entry 1253949. Closed 1996. Converted to gymnasium and health club.

16.16 Bannister Stadium
Bannister Sports Centre, Uxbridge Road HA3 6SW
Local authority athletics track, opened 1967. Upgraded 1986 and 2002. Base of Harrow Athletic Club (f.1921). No buildings of historic interest.

17.0 Havering

17.1 Clubhouse at Romford Golf Club
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17.1 Romford Golf Club (f.1894)

Heath Drive, Gidea Park, Romford RM2 5QB

Club: Romford Golf Club
Sport/s: golf
Owner: private members club
Date: 1894
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 52504 89915
Conservation Area: Gidea Park

Notes: Substantial vernacular brick two storey clubhouse with single storey extensions, on edge of Romford Garden Suburb (b.1910-11). Club founded by estate developer Sir Herbert Raphael. Course design by James Braid.

17.2 Romford Greyhound Stadium
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17.2 Romford Greyhound Stadium

London Road, Romford RM7 9DU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: greyhound racing
Owner: Gala Coral Group Ltd
Date: 1931
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 50267 88154
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of only three greyhound tracks still operating in London. Steel frame and brick Main (East) Stand b.1931, much altered in phases, glazed upper tier, open terraces on lower tier. Brick and concrete Totalisator Board c.1937 on north side now used for signage and storage. Steel frame Millennium (West) Stand b.1951, refurbished 2000, also glazed upper, terraced lower. South side (alongside railway) closed to public. Capacity 4,000.

17.3 Romford Snooker Club interior
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17.3 Romford Snooker Club

1A Arcade Place, Romford RM1 1RS

Club: Romford Snooker Club
Sport/s: snooker, billiards, pool
Owner: private club
Date: 1933
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 51277 88640
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former Lucania Temperance Billiard Hall, one of c.27 operating in Greater London by end of 1930s. Of no architectural interest, but of historic significance as launchpad of Matchroom Sports enterprise founded by promoter Barry Hearn at club in 1974. Table 13 was where Hearn protege Steve Davis played as youth. Sold to Rileys chain 1982. Bills itself as 'probably the most famous snooker club in the world'.

17.4 Rush Green Stadium
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17.4 Rush Green Stadium

Rush Green Road, Romford RM7 0LU

Club: West Ham United Football Club (f. 1895)
Sport/s: football
Owner: West Ham United FC
Date: 1955
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 49913 87321
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: 29 acre football ground developed in 1955 by Ford Motor Company, with basic single storey brick changing rooms and unusual 600 seat grandstand with concrete shell roof on steel columns (now seating 345). Has served various Essex clubs; Briggs Sports FC (1953-58), Ford United (1958-2001), Romford FC (1995-96 and 2002-08) and Grays Athletic (2012-13). Purchased by West Ham United in 2009 for youth games.

17.5 Hornchurch Sports Centre swimming pool
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17.5 Hornchurch Sports Centre swimming pool

Harrow Lodge Park, Hornchurch Road RM11 1JU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming and diving
Owner: LB of Havering
Date: 1956
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 53152 87027
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Built by Hornchurch Urban District Council, significant as the only municipal swimming pool built in England during period 1945-60. Exhibits design features that were to become commonplace in 1960s, eg. pool dimensions (110' x 42' with 12'6" diving pit for 5m board and separate children's pool), viewing gallery with 474 seats, café overlooking shallow end, no top lighting and use of anti condensation and sound absorbent materials for walls and ceiling. Also reflected shift in post war housing provision by not incorporating laundry or slipper baths.

17.6 Californian-inspired Classic Pool at the Rom Skatepark, Hornchurch
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17.6 Rom Skatepark

Upper Rainham Road, Hornchurch RM12 4ES

Club: n/a
Sport/s: skateboarding and BMX
Owner: private company
Date: 1978
Designation: Grade II (11.9.2014)
List entry: 1419328
NGR: TQ 51814 86420
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Best preserved example of skatepark built during first wave of skateboarding, designed by Adrian Rolt and G-Force, based on Californian models (only other extant example in England is Harrow, 16.8). Featuring seven original features in Shotcrete: classic pool (with blue mosaic tiled rim and coping, modelled on Californian swimming pools), moguls, slalom, run, snake run, four leaf clover, half pipe and performance bowl. The survival of these original features resulted in this becoming first skatepark to be listed in Europe. Derives name from location alongside River Rom.

Also in Havering:

17.7 Upminster Golf Club (f.1928) and **Upminster Bowls Club** (f.1949)
Upminster Hall, 114 Hall Lane, Upminster RM14 1AU
Clubhouse is Grade II* Upminster Hall, list entry 1079889
C15-16 timber framed manor house once occupied by Thomas Cromwell, with C17 staircase. Bought by golf club 1935, substantially altered internally 1937. Rare example of golf club with bowls club on site.

17.8 King George's Field
Eastern Avenue / Mawney Road RM7
24.00 acres, endowed 1952, one of 471 sites endowed 1935-65, inc. 31 in London. Brick gateway with heraldic panels extant on Eastern Avenue (for example see 12.14).

17.9 Hornchurch Stadium
Bridge Avenue, Upminster, Havering RM14 2LX
Opened 1953 for AFC Hornchurch (f.1923 as Upminster Wanderers), converted into local authority athletics track, re-opened 1956. Also base of Havering Athletic Club (f.1968 by merger of Hornchurch Harriers, f.1953 and Romford AC, f.1951). Modernised 1977, 2002 and 2004. No buildings of historic interest.

18.0 Hillingdon

18.1 Cavendish Pavilion, Eastcote
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18.1 Cavendish Pavilion
Field End Road, Eastcote HA4 9PG

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, cricket, tennis, billiards
Owner : private company
Date: 1914
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 11325 87198
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two-storey manorial-style brick clubhouse with tiled roof, dormers, half-timbered gables and veranda with brick columns. Built for staff of Debenhams department store, later extended to staff of Marshall & Snelgrove and Harvey Nichols. The adjoining Cavendish Sports Ground was taken over by Ruislip & Northwood Council in 1948. Pavilion now hired out for events.

18.2 Ruislip Lido / Water's Edge café and restaurant
Reservoir Road, Ruislip HA4 7TY

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, water ski-ing
Owner: LB of Hillingdon
Date: 1936, re built 1994-96
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 08664 89184
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Range of interconnected single storey Art Deco-style buildings on south west banks of 60 acre reservoir, with white rendered walls, green pantile roofs and two circular wings. Rebuilt 1994-96 on site of original lido pavilion designed by Thomas H Mawson & Son, b.1936 for the Grand Union Canal Company, which opened reservoir as leisure resort c.1933. Reservoir was base of British Water Ski Club, later Ruislip Water Ski Club 1949–c.1989. Last used for swimming c.1992. Beach area revived 2014. Plans in hand to re-open for swimming c.2015.

18.3 Hillingdon Outdoor Pool, with children's pool on left, indoor facility in foreground and entrance block top right © Flag-Soprema UK

18.3 Hillingdon Outdoor Pool, entrance block © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

18.3 Hillingdon Outdoor Pool, grandstand and cafeteria © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

18.3 Hillingdon Outdoor Pool, north fountain © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

18.3 Hillingdon Outdoor Pool, former Uxbridge Lido

Gatting Way, Uxbridge UB8 1ES

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, diving and water polo
Owner: LB of Hillingdon
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II (24.4.1998)
List entry: 1323711
NGR: TQ 06343 84680
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Outdoor pool by George Percy Trentham, unusual twelve-sided shape, 220' x 72', with central section 90' x 75' designed for water polo and diving. Closed 1998-2010. Refurbished as part of £31m development of site by FaulknerBrowns, with pool split between 50m main section and smaller children's pool at southern end, fed with heated water from new indoor pool facility to east.

Additional elements listed Grade II, all 1935, by same architect, as follows:

Listed element: entrance block
List entry: 1323712
NGR: TQ 06346 84739

Notes: Lido entrance block, two splayed single storey concrete blocks with metal windows, linked by centre block framing red brick arched entrance, topped by flagpole.

Listed element: grandstand
List entry: 1323715
NGR: TQ 06372 84678

Notes: Grandstand in nautical Moderne style, concrete with metal windows, viewing platform on flat roof, cafeteria on ground floor, stairs at each end. Originally detached, now flanked by buildings forming part of modern sports centre and indoor pool.

Listed elements: north fountain / south fountain
List entry: 1323713 / 1323714
NGR: TQ 06345 84724 / TQ 06342 84633

Notes: Matching pair of concrete octagonal aerator fountains located at end of pool, typical of 'wedding cake' design seen at British lidos between wars.

18.4 Pavilion at RAF Vine Lane cricket ground
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18.4 RAF Vine Lane cricket ground

Vine Lane, Uxbridge UB10 0BD

Club: RAF Cricket Association
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: RAF
Date: 1949
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 06923 83433
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Cricket ground opened 1949, with typical timber frame pavilion, viewing balcony and later glazed verandah. One of several sports facilities associated with RAF Uxbridge (1918-2010), used for athletes' accommodation and training during 1948 Olympics, including athletics track (St Andrew's Road, 1924-c.2010).

18.5 Uxbridge Cricket Club pavilion
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18.5 Uxbridge Cricket Club

Gatting Way, Uxbridge UB8 1NR

Club: Uxbridge Cricket Club (f.1789)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: LB of Hillingdon
Date: 1971
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 06286 84927
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Sports ground laid out on Hillingdon House Farm, notable as home of oldest cricket club in Middlesex (formation date given as 1789 but organised cricket on Uxbridge Moor recorded as early as 1735). Club based on Cricketfield Road 1857-1970, now site of Uxbridge Civic Centre. Modern flat roof pavilion with timber facings and glazed, cantilevered viewing lounge. Ground also includes squash courts, bowling green, tennis courts, and memorial gates to Leslie Smith. Gatting Way named after Middlesex and England captain Mike Gatting.

Also in Hillingdon:

18.6 Hillingdon Manor Cricket Club (f.1834)
Coney Green, Hillingdon UB10 0PN
Third oldest cricket club in Middlesex, on same site since mid C18. apart from 1899-1927. Pavilion dates from 1963.

18.7 Ickenham Cricket Club (f.1850)
Oak Avenue, Ickenham UB10 8UT
Old Middlesex club based on site since c.1928. Pavilion rebuilt 1975.

18.8 Northwood Golf Club (f.1891)
Rickmansworth Road, Northwood HA6 2QW
Nine hole course laid out on The Gravel Pits, expanded to 18 holes 1920. Clubhouse substantially rebuilt 1972.

18.9 Ruislip Golf Course (f.1922)
Ickenham Road, Ruislip HA4 7DQ
Course designed by Sandy Heard, bought by Middlesex County Council in 1935-36. Modern clubhouse and driving range.

18.10 Haste Hill Golf Course (f.1926)
The Drive, Northwood HA6 1HN
18 hole municipal golf course, course design by Harry Colt, with substantial single storey brick clubhouse, white rendered walls, pantile roof.

18.11 Uxbridge Golf Course (f.1948)
Harefield Place, The Drive, Uxbridge UB10 8AQ
18 hole municipal course, also base of Harefield Place Golf Club.

18.12 Hillingdon Athletic Stadium
Gatting Way, Uxbridge UB8 1NR
Local authority athletics facility opened 1968 on Hillingdon House Farm site (see also 18.5), since modernised with new track and stand, opened by Queen Elizabeth in 2006. Serves as base for Hillingdon Athletic Club, f.1966 from merger of Finchley Harriers (f.1877) and Ruislip & Northwood AC (f.1951), joined in 1970 by Hayes & Harlington AC (f.1954).

19.0 Hounslow

19.1 former Syon Park pavilion and boathouse
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19.1 The Pavilion, former Syon Park pavilion and boathouse

Syon Park, Park Road, Isleworth TW7 6BD

Club: n/a
Sports: rowing
Owner: private residence
Date: 1803
Designation: Grade I (15.6.1951)
List entry: 1080282
NGR: TQ 16911 76107
Conservation area: Isleworth Riverside

Notes: Designed by Robert Mylne (not James Wyatt as originally thought) for the second Duke of Northumberland as a pavilion and boathouse for his wife and her circle, at a time when regattas were highly fashionable. Originally two storey, with boathouse at lower level. Boathouse became unusable when embankment of Thames and creation of Teddington Lock raised water levels in the late 19th century. Central dome has three French windows and four ionic columns. Now residential.

19.2 former Brentford Baths entrance block
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19.2 Brentford Baths

Clifden Road, Brentford TW8 0PF

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential
Date: 1896
Designation: Grade II (21.6.1990)
List entry: 1334358
NGR: TQ 17659 77790
Conservation Area: St Paul's Brentford

Notes: Former municipal baths by district surveyor TH Nowell Parr. Red brick with ashlar dressings, pedimented entrances bearing words Public Baths, slate roofs. Brick boilerhouse to east (converted to residential post 1998) and Edwardian superintendent's house to west (also residential). Rear pool shed with former pool (75' x 28'), wash-house and slipper bath departments intact, all with glazed skylights, but currently unlet. On Heritage at Risk register 2014.

19.3 Ibis boathouse
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19.3 Ibis boathouse

Ibis Lane, Hartington Road, Chiswick W4 3UJ

Club: Mortlake Anglian & Alpha Boat Club (f.1962 by merger of Mortlake RC f.1877 and Anglia BC f.1878, merged 1984 with Alpha RC f.1927)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: private club
Date: 1915
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20198 76536
Conservation Area: Grove Park

Notes: With 19.4 forms one of pair of boathouses west of Chiswick Bridge where end ceremonies of University Boat Race traditionally take place. Brick and timber with slate roof built in 1915 for the Ibis Rowing Club, a division of the Prudential's Ibis Sports Club (see 19.9). Sold to North Thames Gas Board in 1991 for housing gas board's staff club Horseferry RC, resold to Mortlake Anglian & Alpha BC in 1999. Ground floor accommodates boats, first floor has large club room and balcony. Living accommodation to rear.

19.4 University of Westminster boathouse (right) with Ibis boathouse (19.3) on left
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19.4 University of Westminster boathouse

Ibis Lane, Hartington Road, Chiswick W4 3UJ

Club: University of Westminster Boat Club (f.1875 as Hanover United Athletic BC, later Polytechnic BC) / Quintin BC (f.1907)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: University of Westminster
Date: 1924
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20205 76523
Conservation Area: Grove Park

Notes: With 19.3 forms one of pair of boathouses west of Chiswick Bridge where end ceremonies of University Boat Race traditionally take place. Brick and timber with slate roof, replaced similar timber boathouse built in 1888 by philanthropist Quintin Hogg for institution that became Regent Street Polytechnic (now Univ of Westminster). Facilities shared with Quintin BC, named after Hogg. Ground floor accommodates boats, first floor has large club room with original features (fireplace, timber roof joists, dormer window) and balcony with iron railings. Living accommodation to rear. Bears similarities to nearby 1905 pavilion at Craven Cottage (14.7).

19.5 Civil Service boathouse, Duke's Meadows
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19.5 Civil Service boathouse

Duke's Meadows, Chiswick W4 2SH

Club: Cygnet Rowing Club (f.1890) / Barnes Bridge Ladies Rowing Club (f.1927)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: private club
Date: 1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21360 76446
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two storey brick boathouse with tiled roof and stuccoed exterior, built by sports section of Civil Service. (Cygnet RC was formed by staff at General Post Office but shared boathouse with rowers from Post Office Savings Bank, the Ministry of Health and Customs & Excise.) Architect unknown but presumed to be same in-house office responsible for main Civil Service sports pavilion, b.1926, on The Promenade (rebuilt 1969, see 19.11).

19.6 Former UCS Old Boys pavilion and grandstand since restoration as Goals Soccer Centre
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19.6 Goals Soccer Centre, former UCS Old Boys Rugby Club pavilion & grandstand

MacFarlane Lane, Isleworth TW7 5DB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: formerly rugby, now five-a-side football
Owner: Goals Soccer Centres plc
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II (17.5.2001)
List entry: 1271519
NGR: TQ 15889 77806
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Unusual reinforced concrete pavilion and grandstand designed by Brian L Sutcliffe and H Colin Farmer for University College School's Old Boys Rugby Club. Single storey flat roof pavilion to rear, with grandstand facing north east. Characterised by low overhanging cantilevered roof (corrugated panels on concrete frame, structure being clearly visible from rear), sheltering seven tiers of bench seats, but with compromised views caused by downpipes. Building relinquished by club in 1979. Also used by Grasshoppers RFC and Centaurs RFC until 1990s. Became derelict, was on HAR from 2003-2010. Refurbished at cost of £1.5m by Aedas Architects, reopened as Goals Soccer Centre 2010, but seating tier now little used.

19.7 University of London boathouse, Chiswick
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19.7 University of London boathouse
81 Hartington Rd, Chiswick W4 3TU

Club: University of London Boat Club (f.1877) and other college rowing clubs
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: University of London
Date: 1936
Designation: Grade II (9.8.1999)
List entry: 1388311
NGR: TQ 19874 77270
Conservation Area: Grove Park

Notes: One of several sports related buildings in a part of Chiswick favoured between wars by educational institutions (the University of London, the Polytechnic, Emanuel School) and company sports clubs (inc. Civil Service). International Modern style, concrete framed, flat roofs with viewing area, Crittall windows and ground floor rowing tank for training. Built in phases 1936-37 with additions in 1950s inc. two extra bays to west. Internal layouts changed to increase capacity and accommodate female rowers. Architects Thompson & Walford also designed University of London's pavilion at Motspur Park (see 22.7)

19.8 Grandstand at Polytechnic Stadium, Chiswick
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19.8 Polytechnic Stadium grandstand
Hartington Road, Chiswick W4 3UH

Club: University of Westminster
Sport/s: football, cricket, rugby, hockey
Owner: University of Westminster
Date: 1938
Designation: Grade II (28.2.2003)
List entry: 1096141
NGR: TQ 20413 76701
Conservation Area: Grove Park

Notes: Robust reinforced concrete grandstand with deep overhanging roof supported on transverse pre-cast beam, designed by Joseph Addison for Polytechnic Harriers (f.1883). Originally served athletics track (since cleared for turf pitch). Seating deck (658 capacity) now unused. Offices and changing accommodation underneath and to rear, with early C21 glazed viewing bay facing sports pitches to north west. Site originally opened 1906 as Quintin Hogg Memorial Sports Ground (after founder of the Polytechnic). Stand now compromised by modern buildings on both flanks. Also on site, on Cavendish Road side, are two adjoining, pre-war and post war pavilions, neither of note. In common with 19.6 an example of an interesting 1930s grandstand rendered surplus to current spectator requirements.

19.9 Former Ibis Sports Club pavilion, now Dukes Meadow Golf and Tennis Club
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19.9 Dukes Meadow Golf and Tennis Club, former Ibis Sports Club pavilion

Dan Mason Drive, Duke's Meadows W4 2SH

Club: Dukes Meadow Golf and Tennis Club
Sport/s: golf and tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1939
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20682 76262
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Art Deco two storey London stock brick pavilion with strong vertical and horizontal concrete detailing, metal framed windows and flat roofs, designed for the Ibis SC (f. 1870 by staff at Prudential Assurance) by in-house Prudential architect FSM Green. Sold to private club in 1991. Large central hall with original fluted plasterwork ceiling and decorative ventilation panels, leading onto north facing verandah formed by four white concrete fluted columns, with balcony above. Four plasterwork roundels bearing Ibis motto 'Ibis Bene Impiger Studiis' removed from balcony wall in c.2010. Prominent stair towers to either side of central hall: east tower originally housed top floor cricket scoreboard (now plain glazing), original clock on west tower replaced by modern face. Three original flagpoles in centre. North facing exterior otherwise unaltered. Internal spaces, other than main hall, modernised. South, east and west facing elevations undistinguished.

19.10 Emanuel School Boat Club's Wates boathouse, Duke's Meadows
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19.10 Wates Boathouse

Riverside Drive, Duke's Meadows W4 2SH

Club: Emanuel School Boat Club (f.1914)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Emanuel School
Date: 1960
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21352 76427
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Modern rectilinear brick and steel boathouse with concrete terrace, designed for Emanuel School by Laurence King & Partners, with boat storage on ground floor, club rooms above accessed via external spiral staircase. Adjoins 19.5 next to Barnes Bridge.

19.11 King's House School pavilion
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19.11 King's House School pavilion, former Civil Service
Riverside Drive, Duke's Meadows W4 2SH

Club: various, including Civil Service
Sport/s: cricket, rugby, football, tennis
Owner: King's House School Enterprises Ltd.
Date: 1969
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21374 76729
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brutalist brick, reinforced concrete and glass two storey pavilion, with flat roof built to replace original 1926 pavilion (built by Civil Service Athletic Association, f.1863-64). Designed by Adie, Button & Partners for the Ministry of Public Building & Works. Serves 35 acre sports ground, leased since 2010 by school but still used by Civil Service teams and others. Follows post war model of placing changing rooms in linked single storey range (to south), allowing more space for hospitality areas and separation of wet and dry areas. Prominent top-lit conical brick staircase at rear provides internal access to first floor, octagonal-shaped viewing lounge, with concrete spiral staircase on pitch side. Later changes by Hewitt & Firth (1984) and Pinnegar Smith (1997) have resulted in installation of aluminium framed double glazing and enclosure of former open balconies and walkways.

19.12 Chiswick Boathouse, Duke's Meadows
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19.12 Chiswick Boathouse
Dan Mason Drive, Duke's Meadows W4 2SH

Club: Thames Tradesmen's Rowing Club (f.1897), Old Meadonians FC (f.1929) and others
Sport/s: rowing and football
Owner: LB of Hounslow
Date: 1973
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21238 76299
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Local authority two storey reinforced concrete, brick and glass boathouse built on site of famous Tom Green's boathouse (1876-1972). Designed by Borough Architect George A Trevett. Six bay elevation on concrete columns. Glazed bay windows on upper floors, wooden facia boards line flat roof. Boat storage on ground floor. Changing rooms also serve adjoining sports pitches for club and community use.

19.13 Griffin Park, Brentford FC, from the east
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Also in Hounslow:

19.13 Griffin Park (b.1904)
Braemar Road, Brentford TW8 0NT
Football ground built for Brentford FC (f.1889). Unique in having public houses on all four corners of site. Mix of stands built since 1930s, none of historic or architectural interest. Ground scheduled for residential redevelopment when club relocates to new Lionel Road Stadium c.2016.

19.14 Chiswick Pool (b.1910, redeveloped 1991)
Edensor Road, Chiswick W4 2RG
Modern indoor pool built on site of early outdoor pool (b.1910, closed 1980).

19.15 Indian Gymkhana Club (f.1916)
Thornbury Avenue, Osterley TW7 4NQ
Oldest and largest Anglo-Indian community club, backed originally by Maharaja of Patiala, Lord Hawke and other notables. No buildings of historic interest but archives important as example of club formed by ethnic community. Cricket, hockey and football

19.16 Isleworth Pool (b.1939)
Twickenham Road, Isleworth TW7 7EU
Swimming pool and recreation centre originally by LG Mouchel & Partners, with single pool (110' x 48'). Substantially refurbished 2008-10 by Pringle Richards Sharratt Architects. Some surviving brick exterior walls and detailing.

20.0 Islington

20.1 The Artillery Garden, sports ground of the Honourable Artillery Company
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20.1 Armoury House, headquarters of the Honourable Artillery Company
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20.1 The Artillery Garden

City Road, Finsbury EC1Y 2BQ

Club: sports sections of Honourable Artillery Company
Sport/s: cricket, rugby, football, archery
Owner: Honourable Artillery Company (a unit within the Territorial Army)
Date: earliest sport recorded 1720s
Designation: unlisted (but see notes)
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32698 82075
Conservation Area: Bunhill Fields/Finsbury Square

Notes: Near six acre enclosed site laid out by HAC in 1641, was London's senior sports venue c.1720-75 for cricket, athletics and archery. Still in use for amateur sport and is therefore considered oldest enclosed sports ground in capital. Ground is unlisted but Armoury House (HAC HQ) is Grade II* (listing no. 1195537) and houses important sporting artefacts, including rare C16/17 tilting lance, and sole surviving 'Finsbury Mark', a stone slab carved with name 'Scarlet', one of c.185 marks dotted around area to act as targets for roaming archers c.1590-1780. In Chiswell Street, to south, where entrance to ground in C18 was via the Pyed Horse, Longbow House (b.1955) features mosaic of Finsbury Archer. Also related are tomb of William Wood (d.1691), Finsbury Archer, in St James, Clerkenwell, and Braganza Shield (c.1676), held by V&A. Adjoining ground, Finsbury Barracks with cast-iron gates (listing no. 1207595) leading from City Road into the Artillery Garden.

20.2 former Stanley Hall and Marble Baths, Junction Road, Tufnell Park
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20.2 former Stanley Hall and Marble Baths

176-178 Junction Road, Tufnell Park N19 5QQ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: commercial music venue
Date: 1885
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29153 85920
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former public hall and swimming baths (60' in length), in operation 1885-1909. Since used as cinema, ballroom and currently music venue. Plaque on Junction Road dated 1884, commemorates EH Blunt, landlord of adjoining Boston Arms, as builder of 'Stanley Hall & Baths'.

20.3 Entrance block to former Hornsey Road Baths, now an arts centre and nursery
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20.3 former Hornsey Road Baths entrance block, now Platform Arts Centre

260 Hornsey Road N7 7QT

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Islington / private residential
Date: 1892
Designation: Grade II (30.9.1994)
List entry: 1207574
NGR: TQ 30704 86406
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of several public baths complexes designed to quadrangle plan by AH Tiltman, in red brick with stone dressings, slate roofs, in Queen Anne style. Originally four pools, rebuilt substantially 1964 owing to bomb damage. Closed 1991. Two surviving pools demolished, leaving entrance block (with superintendent's accommodation on upper floors), converted into arts centre and offices, with modern nursery added. Restored neon sign on side wall thought to be sole survivor of 12 similar signs erected at London baths in 1930s. Laundry (b.1902), slipper bath section and plant room adapted to serve residential units. Modern residential blocks (b.2009) by Pollard Thomas Edwards Architects entered via glazed atrium built around former baths chimney, named Tiltman Place.

20.4 Ironwork from former Greenman Street Baths now in Tibby Place park
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20.4 Ironwork from Greenman Street Baths

Tibby Place, Greenman Street N1

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Islington
Date: 1895
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32112 84031
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Ironwork structures salvaged in 1988 from what is thought to have been either the ladies' pool or wash-house of Greenman Street Baths, also known as Essex Road or 'The Tib' (as it bordered Tibberton Square). Designed by AH Tiltman, in use 1895-1984. Forms centrepiece of pocket park on baths site known as Tibby Place. Adjoining site is Laundry Lane.

20.5 Former swimming pool at City University London, now a study centre with cubicles converted into shelving. © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

20.5 former swimming pool, City University London

Northampton Square EC1V 0HB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnastics, boxing
Owner: City University London
Date: 1896
Designation: Grade II, main buildings (29.9.1972)
List entry: 1195739
NGR: TQ 31629 82638
Conservation Area: Northampton Square

Notes: Former swimming pool forming part of the Northampton Institute (now City University London), designed by EW Mountford. This facility, together with adjoining gymnasium (destroyed in WW2) was used for training during 1908 Olympics. The Olympic boxing tournament also took place in Institute's main hall, now a lecture theatre. Steel roof girders were post-war replacement for war damage. Balcony and railings extant, with changing cubicles converted into storage units.

20.6 Ironmonger Row Baths
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20.6 Ironmonger Row Baths

Ironmonger Row EC1V 3QF

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Islington
Date: 1931/1938
Designation: Grade II (2.11.2006)
List entry: 1391805
NGR: TQ 32267 82570
Conservation Area: St Luke's

Notes: Public baths complex completed in two phases: east side (b.1931) included laundry and slipper baths, by baths specialists Alfred and Kenneth Cross, linked by central block to west side (b.1938), featuring pools (100' x 32' and 50' x 21') and gym by Kenneth Cross. Refurbished by Tim Ronalds Architects (2012), with new entrance hall accessed from Norman Street. Building contains various original features, including prominent steel rooftop water tank, teak bench seats overlooking main pool, laundry lift and one slipper bath cubicle. Rare example of public baths still to have working laundry.

20.7 former East Stand at Arsenal Stadium, Avenell Road, now main entrance to Highbury Square flats
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20.7 Highbury Hill entrance to former West Stand at Arsenal Stadium, now flats
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20.7 former Arsenal Stadium, now Highbury Square

Avenell Road, Highbury N5 1BU

Club: formerly Arsenal Football Club
Sport/s: football
Owner: private residential
Date: West Stand 1931/ East Stand 1936
Designation: East Stand: Grade II (16.7.1997)
List entry: 1119692
NGR: TQ 31660 86037
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former Arsenal Stadium in use as football ground 1913-2006, since converted to residential units, designed by Allies & Morrison. Many original features extant. Art Deco grade II listed East Stand (b.1936), designed by William Binnie, now flats with health centre on ground floor. Retains moulded balcony walls, original 'Marble Hall' entrance lobby, with Jacob Epstein bust of Arsenal manager Herbert Chapman in niche. West Stand (b.1931) by Claude Waterlow Ferrier and William Binnie, also converted into flats, with separate entrance block on Highbury Hill, also flats on upper three floors. Former pitch now communal gardens. Unique example of stadium redevelopment. Numerous fixtures and artefacts relocated to Emirates Stadium (20.11).

Also in Islington:

20.8 Business Design Centre

52 Upper Street, Islington N1 0QH
Originally built 1862 as Agricultural Hall, subsequently used for various indoor sports, inc. cycling, athletics and wrestling. Listing no. 1297949

20.9 Sobell Leisure Centre

Hornsey Road N7 7NY
1973 concrete and steel multi-purpose leisure centre, featuring swimming pool, ice rink, sports hall, gymnasium, squash courts and climbing wall.

20.10 Highbury Pool & Fitness Centre

Highbury Crescent N6 1RR
Indoor pool b.1984 on site of outdoor pool b.1923

20.11 Emirates Stadium

Hornsey Road / Ashburton Grove N5 1BU
60,000 capacity stadium designed by HOK Sport (now Populous), opened 2006. Museum and concourses house various artefacts from Arsenal Stadium (20.7), including replica clock, turnstiles, signs, busts etc.

21.0 Kensington and Chelsea

21.1 Chelsea Sports Centre, viewed from Chelsea Manor Street and Chelsea Manor Gardens
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21.1 Chelsea Sports Centre

Chelsea Manor Street SW3 5PL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, indoor sports
Owner: Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea
Date: 1907
Designation: Grade II (7.11.1984)
List entry: 1080716
NGR: TQ 27302 78069
Conservation Area: Royal Hospital

Notes: Municipal baths in English Renaissance style, by HW Wills & J Anderson, originally two pools: (100' x 30') extant, (95' x 28') now sports hall, with 90 slipper baths, now gymnasium and studios. Pool hall retains original exposed iron truss roof, high-backed teak benches and balcony railings. Ticket office retains original fireplace and safe. Centre forms part of municipal complex consisting also of Old Vestry Hall (b.1886) and Town Hall (b.1906), facing onto Kings Road.

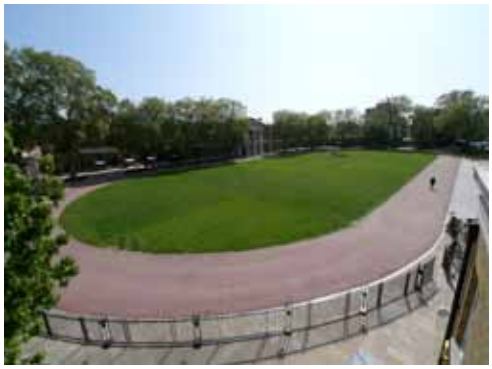
21.2 former Temperance Billiard Hall, Kings Road, showing adjoining motor garage on Flood Street (right) © English Heritage Archive

21.2 former Temperance Billiard Hall

131-141 Kings Road SW3 4PW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards
Owner: retail store
Date: c.1914
Designation: Grade II (14.3.2008)
List entry: 1392863
NGR: TQ 27385 78165
Conservation Area: Royal Hospital

Notes: One of nine surviving buildings built by the Manchester-based Temperance Billiard Hall Company in London (of c.22 total) between 1907-39. Designed by in-house architect TR Somerford. Building features typical company flourishes: Art Nouveau decorative tiling, stained glass, rough-cast rendering, copper dome, roof skylights, exposed ironwork roof trusses, all designed to attract working men in Temperance environment. Converted into antiques market in 1960s. Exterior and interior restored since 2009 by new leaseholder, Anthropologie, an American retail outlet. On Flood Street building adjoins former motor garage in complementary style (b.1919). Other examples of Temperance Billiard Halls in London include 14.10; 23.4; 23.5; 23.7; 24.4; 27.2.



21.3 Running track at former Duke of York's Military School, Kings Road (now Saatchi Gallery)
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21.3. Running track at former Duke of York's Military School
Kings Road SW3 4LN

Club: n/a
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: Cadogan Estates
Date: c.1930s
Designation: unlisted (but see below for Military School)
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27885 78430
Conservation Area: Royal Hospital

Notes: Running track laid out during inter war period in grounds of Grade II* Duke of York's Military School (b.1801, listing no 1266717). Noted for its use by Roger Bannister, Chris Brasher and Chris Chataway in their build up to breaking four minute mile in 1954 (at Oxford's Iffley Road track). Site sold by Ministry of Defence 1999. Track relaid with synthetic surface in c.2008 at same time as Military School converted into Saatchi Gallery. Track and infield now leased by Hill House International Junior School.

21.4 Eton fives courts at Westway Sports Centre
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21.4 Westway Sports Centre
1 Crowthorne Road, North Kensington W10 6RP

Club: various
Sport/s: football, tennis, climbing, basketball, fives, gymnasium
Owner: Westway Development Trust
Date: 1994-2001
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23559 81127
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Unusual modern sports centre by Sproson Barrable Architects built under Westway elevated motorway and major roundabout, with detached block of four Eton fives courts (an extremely rare, possibly unique installation of a type previously only provided at public schools). Sports Centre forms one element of series of sporting and recreational facilities provided after concerted campaigning by local residents following construction of Westway and blighting of area in 1970s. Centre adjoins riding stables and practice ring directly under roundabout, reflecting the area's links with Travellers and horses.

Also in Kensington & Chelsea:

21.5 Stadium Street, Chelsea SW10

Marks location of first multi-sports club in capital, set up 1831 by self-styled Baron de Berenger. Closed 1843, after which site converted into Cremorne Gardens (pleasure gardens). No surviving buildings, but ornate gates from original Cremorne House stand in small remnant of site relandscaped to form new Cremorne Gardens, 1982.

21.6 Hippodrome Place, Notting Hill W11

Marks location of racecourse operating 1837-41. Extended from what is now Portobello Road to Clarendon Road, and from Ladbroke Square to Lancaster Road. Grandstand was erected on Notting Hill, on site now occupied by church of St John's (known originally as Hippodrome Church).

21.7 Aerial view of grounds of the Royal Hospital Chelsea, showing two pitches of Burton's Court sports ground to north of hospital, with pitches and tennis courts of South Ground in foreground, alongside Chelsea Embankment.
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21.7 Burton's Court and South Ground

Royal Hospital Chelsea SW3

Burton Court: 14 acre sports ground forming part of grounds of Royal Hospital Chelsea (b.1682-92), allocated for sporting use to London Garrison of Brigade of Guards since 1888. Mid C20 pavilion in north west corner. Pitches for football, cricket and three tennis courts.

South Ground: sports ground south of Royal Hospital, used since 1913 as site of annual Chelsea Flower Show. Laid out on part of former Ranelagh Gardens (pleasure gardens in use 1742-1803). Current extent known as Ranelagh Gardens lies enclosed to immediate east of South Ground.

All Royal Hospital grounds listed Grade II on Register of Historic Parks & Gardens (listing no. 1000353). Various buildings / structures on site also listed (none sports-related). Site occupies Royal Hospital Conservation Area.

21.8 Earls Court Exhibition Centre

Warwick Road SW5 9TA

Exhibition complex b.1937, designed by Howard Crane. Incorporated swimming pool (195' x 95') with moveable floor on hydraulic rams. Pool used for aqua shows in 1948 and boat shows. Approval granted 2013 for demolition. Formerly on site, Empress Hall, hosted various sporting events, including boxing, wrestling, gymnastics and weightlifting during 1948 Olympics, demolished 1959, now site of Empress State Building (b.1961).

21.9 Cremorne Riverside Centre

Cremorne Gardens, Lots Road SW10 0QH

Distinctive council facility for canoeing b.2008, by Sarah Wigglesworth Architects. Two lozenge shaped timber frame boathouses, clad in Corten steel, with rubble covered flat roofs.

22.0 Kingston-upon-Thames

22.1 Thames Sailing Club boathouse
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22.1 Thames Sailing Club boathouse
Portsmouth Road, Surbiton KT6 4HH

Club: Thames Sailing Club (f.1870)
Sport/s: sailing
Owner: private club
Date: 1870
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 17573 67843
Conservation Area: Riverside South

Notes: Timber framed boathouse belonging to Britain's oldest river sailing club, including clubrooms with open truss roofs and wood panelled walls. Three bays with twin gables fronting river over balcony. Much of structure has been patched up with new timber, but original form still evident. Adjoining mid C20 boatsheds not of interest.

22.2 The Albany Boathouse, Kingston
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22.2 former Albany Boathouse, now offices
Lower Ham Road, Kingston KT2 5BB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: canoeing and sailing
Owner: private
Date: 1893
Designation: Building of Townscape Merit
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 17985 70452
Conservation Area: Riverside North

Notes: Substantial and unusually ornate three-storey brick boathouse with terracotta detailing, built by noted Kingston boatbuilders RJ Turk & Son in 1893, clearly with intended leisure/spectating use (eg. numerous balconies, upper rooms). Sporting tenants include Royal Canoe Club (1893-97), The Skiff Club (1897-1972), Kingston RC (1935-68) and Tiffin School Boat Club (1935-68). Company sold building in late 1970s, since converted to offices. Carved timber royal crest on riverside frontage.

22.3 Surbiton Racket and Fitness Club pavilion
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22.3 Surbiton Racket & Fitness Club pavilion
Berrylands, Surbiton KT5 8JT

Club: Surbiton Racket & Fitness Club (f.1881)
Sport/s: tennis, squash, gym
Owner: leased from Royal Borough Kingston-upon-Thames
Date: c.1900 with later additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 19041 67345
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey brick and timber clad pavilion with numerous C20 additions and extensions, serving prominent tennis club with 20 courts (11 grass) and four squash courts.

22.4 Coombe Hill Golf Club clubhouse
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22.4 Coombe Hill Golf Club clubhouse
Golf Club Drive, Kingston KT2 7DF

Club: Coombe Hill Golf Club (f.1911)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Coombe Hill Golf Club
Date: c.1912-c.1920s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20915 70287
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Extensive Arts and Crafts clubhouse, designed to resemble row of houses (in case of club's failure), with deep tiled roofs, gable ends, rendered walls, plus extensions. Club known for links with politicians (inc. Churchill and Lloyd George), members of Royal family, newspaper barons and show business celebrities.

22.5 Malden Golf Club clubhouse
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22.5 Malden Golf Club clubhouse
Traps Lane, New Malden KT3 4RS

Club: Malden Golf Club (f.1893 as Raynes Park GC)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Malden Golf Club
Date: 1925
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21237 69310
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial three storey neo-Georgian brick clubhouse, with single storey sun lounge overlooking putting green. Flat roof extension to south.

22.6 Pavilion at Malden Wanderers Cricket Club
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22.6 Malden Wanderers Cricket Club pavilion

22 Cambridge Avenue, New Malden KT3 4LE

Club: Malden Wanderers Cricket Club (f.1879)
Sport/s: cricket and tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1928
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21465 69169
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Arts & Crafts steel-framed pavilion with tiled roof and gablets, rendered walls, verandah and large central hall. Clock tower on west. Designed by club member (cricket captain Jimmy Walker) for social as well as sporting needs.

22.7 Grandstand at Motspur Park, facing former track area, with modern pavilion added by current owners, Fulham FC, in foreground.
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22.7 Motspur Park pavilion and grandstand

Motspur Park, New Malden KT3 6PT

Club: Fulham Football Club (f.1879)
Sport/s: football (formerly athletics, rugby, tennis)
Owner: Fulham FC
Date: 1931
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22098 67447
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Art Deco pavilion with 500 seat grandstand on west side, designed for University of London Sports Club by Thompson & Walford (see also 19.7), originally overlooking one of finest athletics tracks in southern England. Staged numerous high profile meetings, inc. world record mile by Sydney Wooderson in 1937. Seating tier features original timber seats and steel roof trusses, with prominent ventilation units along roof to service dressing rooms below. Adjoining pavilion at southern end added by university post war. Facility sold in 1999 to Fulham FC for use as training ground. Track grassed over and matching pavilion added at north end in c.2008. Well maintained and sensitive restoration of an historically important sporting venue.

22.8 former Pearl Assurance sports club pavilion, now owned by King's College London
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22.8 King's College London pavilion, former Pearl Assurance sports club pavilion

Windsor Avenue, New Malden KT3 5HA

Club: King's College London and others
Sport/s: football, cricket, tennis
Owner: King's College London
Date: 1934
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20341 67677
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial two storey brick pavilion in vernacular style, tiled roof, with two round fronted stair towers flanking first floor balcony. Originally built for sports club of Pearl Assurance (f.1912), purchased by King's College 1999. Sports ground is one of three, lying between Windsor Avenue and Hogsmill River. To south is former ground of Elders & Fyffes (banana importers), to north ground of London School of Economics.

22.9 LSE sports ground pavilion, New Malden
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22.9 London School of Economics sports ground pavilion

Windsor Avenue, New Malden KT3 5HB

Club: LSE Athletics Union
Sport/s: football, cricket, tennis
Owner: London School of Economics
Date: c.1922 with c.1930s additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 20370 67643
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Plain two storey pavilion with tiled roof, central clocktower, first floor balcony, flanked by c.1930s flat roofed extensions, the southern one featuring external staircase to upper floor.

22.10 Clubhouse of Malden Rifle and Pistol Club, formerly part of athletes' village in 1948
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22.10 Malden Rifle and Pistol Club clubhouse

Alric Avenue, New Malden KT3 4JS

Club: Malden Rifle and Pistol Club (f.1907)
Sport/s: shooting
Owner: leased from RBKT
Date: 1948, rebuilt 1965
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21587 69058
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Timber hut originally forming part of athletes' village located at Richmond Park for use during 1948 Olympic Games. Bought and re-erected within Alric Avenue allotments in 1965. Hut forms one half of original standard dormitory hut. Believed to be only surviving element of athletes' village.

22.11 Canbury Boathouse, Kingston
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22.11 Canbury Boathouse

Canbury Gardens, Lower Ham Road, Kingston KT2 5AU

Clubs: Kingston Rowing Club (f.1858), Tiffin School Boat Club (f.1890)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: RBKT
Date: 1968
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 17917 20249
Conservation Area: Riverside North

Notes: Modern two storey boathouse designed by Kingston Borough Architect James Lomas with ground floor accommodation for boats, upper storey for club rooms, with adjoining cafe and residential flat. Distinctive saw-tooth concrete shell roof. Renovations in 2011 to clubhouse, ramp, landing stage and towpath. Awarded a Civic Trust Commendation in 1970.

Also in Kingston-upon-Thames

22.12 Minima Yacht Club (f.1889)
48a High Street, Kingston KT1 1HN
Boathouse built c.1896 amid terraced buildings on High Street, originally as Neilson's sail loft. Club in residence since 1969.

22.13 Coombe Wood Golf Club (f.1904)
George Road, Kingston Hill KT2 7NS
Course laid out on former Coombe Estate, now leased from LB of Kingston. Modern flatroof clubhouse reconstructed on hillside 2003 with balconies.

22.14 Canbury Community pavilion (b.1907)
Canbury Gardens, Lower Ham Road KT2
Timber frame bowls pavilion originally built for Kingston Bowls Club and Kingston Canbury Ladies Club (one of earliest bowls clubs for women). Recommissioned as community pavilion in 2003, green now play area.

22.15 New Malden Tennis, Squash & Badminton Club (f.1922)
Somerset Close KT3 5RG
Two storey brick clubhouse with postwar extensions and adjoining squash courts to south and east.

22.16 King George's Fields
St Mary's Close, Tolworth, Surbiton KT6
28.6 acres, endowed 1947
Among 471 sites endowed 1935-65, inc. 31 in London.

22.17 Kingsmeadow Athletics Stadium
Kingston Road, Norbiton KT1 3PB
Local authority athletics track opened as Norbiton Sports Ground in 1961, upgraded to modern athletics stadium in 1990. On adjoining site to 22.18.

22.18 Kingsmeadow Football Ground / Cherry Red Stadium
Jack Goodchild Way, Kingston Road, Norbiton KT1 3PB
Modern football ground built on Council land adjoining athletics stadium (22.17) by Kingstonian FC in 1989. Shared tenancy since 2002 with AFC Wimbledon, who took over lease via Dons Trust in 2003. Capacity 4,850 (inc. 2,265 seats).

23.0 Lambeth

23.1 Oval pavilion exterior, following its refurbishment in 2013
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23.1 Oval Cricket Ground pavilion
Kennington SE11 5SS

Club: Surrey County Cricket Club (f.1845)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Duchy of Cornwall
Date: 1897
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31055 77708
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial red brick pavilion with tiled roofs, flanked by pavilion towers, originally by Thomas Muirhead. Numerous additions since, including insertion of three extra storeys 1993-95, followed by creation of new central entrance with classical portico by Adam Architects 2013. Houses traditional Long Room and small Surrey CCC Museum and Library. Oval Cricket Ground itself was first laid out in 1845 and is the fourth oldest enclosed sports ground in London.

23.2 Hobbs Gates at Oval Cricket Ground
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23.2 Oval Cricket Ground, Hobbs Gates
Kennington SE11 5SS

Club: Surrey County Cricket Club (f.1845)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Duchy of Cornwall
Date: 1934
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31083 77683
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Ironwork gates with brick pillars, originally by Louis de Soissons, to commemorate Surrey and England batsman Sir Jack Hobbs (1882-1963), on occasion of his retirement. Relocated in 2013 to more central position with stone urns added 2013 by Adam Architects. Hobbs became first cricketer to be knighted in 1953 and is also commemorated by a blue plaque in Englewood Road, Clapham SW12 9PA.

23.3 Alford House, formerly the Moffat Institute
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23.3 Alford House

Aveline Street, Kennington SE11 5DQ

Club: Alford House Boys' Club (f.1884)
Sport/s: indoor football and others
Owner: private trust
Date: 1909
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31030 78234
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick Mission Hall, originally the Moffat Institute, taken over by boys' club in 1950. Green glazed brick, stock brick and render. Pedimented gable and sash windows. Included as rare example of an historic building remaining in use by London youth club. No other examples exist pre-1960. Alford House club came to prominence through 1959 documentary *We are the Lambeth Boys*, directed by Karl Reisz.

23.4 Former Temperance Billiard Hall, Clapham High Street, now an architect's office
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23.4 Moxley & Co Architects, former Temperance Billiard Hall

47 Clapham High Street SW4 7TL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards and snooker
Owner: architectural practice
Date: c.1907-10
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29863 75525
Conservation Area: Clapham High Street

Notes: Arts and Crafts former billiard hall by Norman Evans for the Temperance Billiard Hall Company, one of nine extant in London (of c.20 in London, plus c.13 in Manchester area). Last used for billiards 1939. Richly detailed with cupola entrance, concrete shell barrel roof with dormer windows, green tiling, extensive use of stained glass, all designed to attract respectable clientele. Many original features restored by current owners since 1982.

23.5 Former Temperance Billiard Hall, Coldharbour Lane, Brixton, now shops and offices
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23.5 former Temperance Billiard Hall

409-417 Coldharbour Lane, Brixton SW9 8LH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, snooker
Owner: property company
Date: c.1911-13
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31186 75308
Conservation Area: Brixton

Notes: Arts and Crafts former billiard hall by TR Somerford for the Temperance Billiard Hall Company, one of nine extant in London (of c.20 in London, plus c.13 in Manchester area). Main billiard hall obscured behind two storey frontage made up of ground floor shop units with offices above. White painted roughcast exterior walls with green tiled details. Central ornamental dome over main entrance. Interior much altered.

23.6 Wigmore Tennis Club pavilion

43 Becmead Avenue, Streatham SW16 1UJ

Club: Wigmore Tennis Club (f.1911)
Sport/s: lawn tennis
Owner: private club
Date: c.1911
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31012 77694
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Bungalow-style Edwardian clubhouse hidden behind houses, with deep tiled roof and three gable ends (central one later addition), white exterior walls with green timber windows, brick terrace facing onto eight courts. Later infilling of original courtyard entrance.

23.7 Former Temperance Billiard Hall, Streatham High Road, now supermarket
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23.7 former Temperance Billiard Hall, now Tesco
42 Streatham High Road SW16 1DA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, snooker
Owner: Tesco supermarkets
Date: 1928
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 30216 72550
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Undistinguished former billiard hall, architect unknown, originally operated by the Temperance Billiard Hall Company, one of nine extant in London (of c.20 in London, plus c.13 in Manchester area). Served various uses since 1970, currently supermarket. Original facade and entrance hall demolished. Backs on to Belmont Bowling Club

23.8 Clubhouse at Temple Bowling Club, Herne Hill
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23.8 Temple Bowling Club clubhouse
1A Sunset Road, Herne Hill SE5 8EA

Club: Temple Bowling Club (f.1881)
Sport/s: bowls and croquet
Owner: Temple Bowling Club
Date: 1933
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32497 75230
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial steel-framed clubhouse built by club shortly after it took over site from tennis club in 1931, designed by Leslie H Kemp & Tasker. Club rooms on ground floor, with three-rink indoor bowling green on first floor, distinguished by cream rendered walls. Green tiled roof with small central gable. Verandah facing green has steel columns clad in brick with clay tile fillets. Unusual survivor of building favoured by several London bowls clubs in 1930s offering indoor game in winter.

23.9 Tudor Close outdoor swimming pool

Tudor Close, Brixton Hill SW2 2AD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential block
Date: 1935
Designation: locally listed (residential block)
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 30686 74100
Conservation Area: Brixton Hill & Rush Common

Notes: Open air rectangular swimming pool occupying central courtyard of neo-Tudor residential block, built 1933-35 by AW Reading for Sir George Broadbridge at height of lido boom (see also 10.5). Adjoined by octagonal aerator fountain. For residents' use only.

23.10 Brockwell Park Lido
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23.10 Brockwell Park Lido

Brockwell Park, Dulwich Road SE24 0PA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Lambeth
Date: 1937
Designation: Grade II (16.7.2003)
List entry: 1390519
NGR: TQ 31663 74379
Conservation Area: Brockwell Park

Notes: Rectangular brick compound with two curved corners in Moderne style designed by Harry Rowbotham and TL Smithson of the LCC Parks Department to replace swimming lake in Brockwell Park, with café and extensive paved sunbathing terraces. Original aerator fountain and diving stages removed. Refurbished by PTE Architects in 2007, with extended entrance block and park-facing block extended to provide extra office and studio space, and fitness suites. One of four surviving LCC lidos from pre-1939 era. Also in Brockwell Park is a 1960s bowls pavilion.

23.11 Brixton Recreation Centre
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23.11 Brixton Recreation Centre

27 Station Road, Brixton SW9 8QQ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, squash, dry sports, indoor bowls, climbing
Owner: LB of Lambeth
Date: 1984
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 31172 75566
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Monumentally scaled brick and concrete Brutalist leisure centre, intended as centrepiece of major housing, retail and leisure development linked to raised walkways and railway. Designed by George Finch around a central atrium, with 25m swimming pool on second floor and sports hall on fifth and sixth floors. Troubled history includes nine year constructional delay and fivefold overspend, followed by maintenance and accessibility problems. Negative issues counterbalanced by generous internal circulation spaces, range of high quality internal finishes (timber, steel, concrete and brick) and external cladding (brick and copper). Pool area level with adjoining station platform. Open plan areas for bowls and climbing. Known affectionately as ‘the Rec’ but remains a controversial building, as do many multi-purpose leisure centres of the period.

24.0 Lewisham

24.1 Former Ladywell Swimming Baths
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24.1 former Ladywell Swimming Baths, now Playtower

Ladywell Road SE13

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnastics
Owner: LB of Lewisham
Date: 1885
Designation: Grade II (10.11.2006)
List entry: 1391811
NGR: TQ 37894 74904
Conservation Area: St Mary's

Notes: Red brick baths complex designed in French Gothic style by Wilson & Son and Thomas Aldwinkle, one of two built in area 1884-85 (see 24.2). Originally two pools, both 90' x 30', but no wash-house, a sign of affluence in district. Conical slate roof tower removed c.1907. Forms part of group of civic buildings clustered around St Mary's Church. Baths closed 1995, later used as gymnasium and youth club. On HAR 2008-11. Currently being restored by Ladywell Tower Development Trust under name 'Playtower' as community centre. Interiors much altered but impressive first class pool hall with curved brace timber roof and cast iron balconies intact.

24.2 Former Ladywell Swimming Baths with new leisure centre to right and new pool to left at rear.
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24.2 Forest Hill Pools entrance block

Dartmouth Road, Forest Hill SE23 3HZ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Lewisham
Date: 1885
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 35254 72588
Conservation Area: Forest Hill

Notes: Red brick entrance block to public baths, designed in French Renaissance style by Wilson & Son and Thomas Aldwinkle, one of two built in area 1884-85 (see 24.1). Housed entrances to first and second class pools plus 28 private slipper baths, with accommodation for superintendent above. Originally two pools, both 90' x 30', but no wash-house, a sign of affluence in district. Complex closed 2006. Entrance block refurbished and new 25m pool and fitness centre to rear and east by Roberts Limbrick Architects, opened 2012.

24.3 Former Laurie Grove Public Baths, now part of Goldsmiths College.
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24.3 former Laurie Grove Baths, now Goldsmiths College

Laurie Grove, New Cross SE14 6NW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: Goldsmiths College
Date: 1897
Designation: Grade II (10.6.1991)
List entry: 1252985
NGR: TQ 36390 76943
Conservation Area: Deptford Town Hall

Notes: Fomer baths complex, red brick with stone dressings, designed in Edwardian Baroque style by Thomas Dinwiddy, with separate entrances for men and women still evident. Slipper baths and wash-house on ground floor, female slipper baths, boardroom and superintendent's accommodation above. To rear, two pools 110' x 35' and 80' x 27' in use until 1991. Buildings bought by Goldsmiths 1994, main pool converted into art studios, entrance block now Centre for Urban and Community Research.

24.4 Former Temperance Billiard Hall, Lewisham High Street © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

24.4 former Temperance Billiard Hall, now Tabernacle Global Ministries

233 Lewisham High Street SE13

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, snooker
Owner: Tabernacle Global Ministries
Date: c.1909-10
Designation: Grade II (1.2.2008)
List entry: 1392397
NGR: TQ TQ 38163 75071
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Typically exuberant Art Nouveau example of Norman Evans designed for the Temperance Billiard Hall Company, one of nine extant in London (of c.20 in London, plus c.13 in Manchester area). Combined shop units for rental on main frontage with central tower above main entrance, offices above and two halls behind, smaller as café/concert room, larger housing 15 billiard tables. Originally known as Gild Hall. Usual Evans' use of decorative brickwork, plasterwork, tiling and stained glass (mostly since obscured). Last used for snooker c.2008 under ownership of Rileys. Interior much altered with some surviving steel truss elements of main hall roof intact. Currently awaiting conversion to Christian place of worship and community centre.

24.5 Livesey Memorial Hall, Perry Hill
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24.5 Livesey Memorial Hall
225 Perry Hill, Catford SE6 4HD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, bowling
Owner: private social club
Date: 1911
Designation: Grade II (25.4.1995)
List entry: 1253110
NGR: TQ 36551 72102
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Social club built for gasworkers by South Suburban Gas Company, designed by company engineer SY Shoubridge, named after Sir George Livesey. Single storey with club room, billiard room, reading room and concert room. Bowling green (now disused) to north. Faience panels and Bermantoft terracotta frame entrance. Separately listed war memorial in front courtyard.

24.6 City of London School pavilion
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24.6 City of London School pavilion
147 Marvels Lane, Grove Park SE12 9PP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, rugby, cricket,
Owner: City of London School
Date: 1925
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 41351 72512
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial three storey brick pavilion on square plan extended by matching west and east facing neo-classical raised viewing balconies and steps. Designed by City of London old boys Ralph Knott and E Stone Collins (architects also of County Hall) as memorial to former pupils killed in the Great War. Tiled roof with dormer windows and four-sided central copper clocktower. Inscription on frieze reads: *MCMXIV. Libertatis vindicibus vitam pro patria largitis condiscipuli MCMXIX*.

24.7 Ladywell Arena athletics track and pavilion
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24.7 Ladywell Arena

Silvermere Road, Catford SE6 4QX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: athletics and gymnastics
Owner: LB of Lewisham
Date: 1937
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37573 74311
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Local authority athletics facility with single storey brick pavilion, typical of 1930s LCC design (seen also at Tooting Bec 33.14). Central clock tower on tiled roof. Modern extensions house fitness centre and gymnasium. Synthetic track replaced cinder in 1997.

24.8 Pavilion and squash courts at Jubilee Sports Ground, Catford Bridge
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24.8 Jubilee Sports Ground pavilion

Canadian Avenue, Catford Bridge SE6 4SW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, cricket, rugby, hockey, squash
Owner: St Dunstan's College
Date: 1961
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37365 73454
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Modern two storey brick pavilion designed by Richard Sudell and DT Waters, authors of seminal Batsford reference book on sports buildings and playing fields. Built by Private Banks Cricket and Athletic Club, possibly first company sports club in Britain when formed in 1874 by employees at major private banks (although had played informally since 1866). 20 acre ground was London base of Kent CCC 1875-1921. Squash courts to south. Ground and pavilion purchased and renovated by St Dunstan's in 2012 and renamed Jubilee Ground. Facilties still used by bank teams, including RBS.

Also in Lewisham

24.9 Beckenham Place Mansion and Park
Beckenham Place Park BR3 5BP
Grade II* C18 mansion and grounds, transferred to LCC in 1927, now LB of Lewisham, partially used to service 18 hole public golf course laid out in park.

24.10 Princess of Wales public house
1A Montpelier Row, Blackheath SE3 0RL
Locally listed mid C19 public house famed for its sporting associations with Blackeath FC (rugby) and Blackheath Hockey Club, who played on nearby heath. Various memorabilia on display. Blackheath Conservation Area.

24.11 Catford & Cyphers Cricket Club ground
Rubens Street, Catford SE6 4DH
Sports ground occupied from 1882-1980 by Forest Hill CC. Also used by Blackheath Hockey Club since 1952. No buildings of historic interest.

24.12 Guy's Hospital Sports Ground
Brockley Rise, Honor Oak Park SE23 1NW
Sports ground occupied since 1893 by Guy's Hospital Rugby Football Club (f.1874), merged since 1999 (to form GKT RFC) with two other historic rugby clubs, Kings College Hospital (f.1869) and St. Thomas' School of Medicine (f.1864). No buildings of historic interest.

24.13 Catford Wanderers Sports Club ground
Beckenham Hill Road, Catford SE6 3NU
Sports ground opened in 1906 for prominent cricket club, since expanded to cater for tennis, badminton and football. No buildings of historic interest.

24.14 Catford Cricket & Sports Club
Penerley Road, Catford SE6 2LQ
Former mid C20 club pavilion, now social club and nursery. Associated cricket ground (opened 1891) now site of Rushey Green primary school.

24.15 The Den football stadium
Zampa Road SE16 3LN
20,000 capacity stadium by Miller Partnership, built 1993 for Millwall FC. First of post-Taylor Report all-seater stadiums in Britain. No buildings of historic interest. Replaced original Den on nearby site, now housing on John Williams Close.

25.0 Merton

25.1 former clubhouse of All England Lawn Tennis Club, now serving sports ground of Wimbledon High School © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

25.1 Wimbledon High School sports ground, former AELTC sports ground and clubhouse

Nursery Road, off Worple Road SW19 4JA

Club: formerly AELTC (f.1868)
Sport/s: formerly croquet, lawn tennis, now lawn tennis, hockey
Owner: Wimbledon High School
Date: 1870
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24143 70072
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Range of brick vernacular buildings, the oldest being the single storey bay window pavilion in north east corner, built in 1870 by the All England Croquet Club, and extended in phases after club, which adopted lawn tennis in 1875, staged first Wimbledon Championships in 1877. Grounds sold to Wimbledon High School in 1921, buildings refurbished since, although some original fixtures now on display at AELTC Museum (see 25.9). Iron gates at site entrance dated 1935, commemorating 50th anniversary of first tennis match on site. Listed locally not for architectural interest but for historical associations. Grounds now used for various sports.

25.2 The clubhouse at Royal Wimbledon Golf Club © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

25.2 Royal Wimbledon Golf Club clubhouse

29 Camp Road, Wimbledon Common SW19 4UW

Club: Royal Wimbledon Golf Club (f.1881)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Royal Wimbledon Golf Club
Date: elements from C18, with C19 and C20 extensions
Designation: Camp Cottage locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22804 71127
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Clubhouse built around original core, Camp Cottage, a two storey C18 stock brick house, with red tile roof, first leased by club in 1882 and purchased in 1925. Original core houses baronial-style full height, wood-panelled dining room. Gable-ended extensions with slate roofs followed, extended and internally redesigned in 1993 and 2009. Also of note, the 18 hole golf course, designed by Willy Park in 1907 and redesigned by Harry Colt in 1924, includes Caesar's Camp, a Scheduled Monument, which despite name, was an Iron Age fort c.700BC.

25.3 Manor Club and Institute
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25.3 Manor Club and Institute

76 Kingston Road, Merton Park SW19 1LA

Club: Manor Club and Institute (f.1890)
Sport/s: bowls, billiards, darts
Owner: Manor Club and Institute
Date: 1891
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25532 70003
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two storey brick working men's club built by local philanthropist, John Innes, designed by HC Quartermain. Foundation stone on exterior. Original main entrance, flanked by later C20 bay windows. Interior layout preserved, including reading room, bars and imposing first floor billiard room with vaulted ceilings and original light fittings. Bowling green at rear. Innes also endowed neighbouring Masonic Hall (locally listed), also by Quartermain, who worked extensively on nearby Merton Park garden estate, now Conservation Area.

25.4 Clubhouse of London Scottish Golf Club, Wimbledon Common
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25.4 London Scottish Golf Club clubhouse

Windmill Road, Wimbledon Common SW19 5NQ

Club: London Scottish Golf Club (f.1865)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: London Scottish Golf Club
Date: 1897
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22962 72418
Conservation Area: Wimbledon Windmill

Notes: Arts and Crafts bungalow clubhouse built by London Scottish Golf Club, London's second oldest golf club. Red tile roof, moulded rendering on gables with club shields. Verandah now glazed in. Many original fixtures, including tall wooden lockers originally said to have been designed for London Scottish Rifle Volunteers who met on Wimbledon Common and founded golf club. Displays of historic artefacts include one of early red coats made compulsory in 1892 to warn other users of Common that golfers in vicinity.

25.5 Wimbledon Leisure Centre, Latimer Road
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25.5 Wimbledon Leisure Centre
Latimer Road, Wimbledon SW19 1EW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Merton
Date: 1901, with 1913 and 1929 extensions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25730 70535
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Municipal baths complex, red brick with Portland stone dressings, by RJ Thompson, originally with 22 slipper baths, 6 showers, Russian vapour baths and 25 yard rifle range. Main 1901 pool, 100' x 43', now with false ceiling (1966). Second pool added 1929 by borough surveyor Joseph Bowen, 100' x 40' now gym but with original roof beams and balconies intact. Learner pool added 1959. Modernised 2001 and 2012, including spa in former slipper bath area.

25.6 Mitcham Cricket Club pavilion
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25.6 Mitcham Cricket Club pavilion
4 Cricket Green, Mitcham CR4 4LA

Club: Mitcham Cricket Club (f. date disputed, post 1707)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: property company
Date: 1904
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27547 68436
Conservation Area: Mitcham Green

Notes: Two storey brick pavilion with timber cladding and tiled roof, serving Mitcham Cricket Green. Possibly unique in being separated from pitch by road, with wood-panelled clubroom on first floor (to allow viewing over to pitch). More important is significance of green, on which cricket is recorded since c.1707 (although unsubstantiated claim has also been made for 1685), and which forms focal point of Mitcham Green Conservation Area.

25.7 Cricket Green Memorial Stone, Mitcham
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25.7 The Ruff Memorial

Cricket Green, Mitcham CR4

Club: Mitcham Cricket Club (f. date disputed, post 1707)
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: Mitcham Cricket Club
Date: c.1963
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 27532 68486
Conservation Area: Mitcham Green

Notes: Rough cut Portland stone memorial, approx 1.1m tall, in south west corner of Mitcham Green, commemorating Tom Ruff (1897-1962), local shopkeeper, cricketer and Mayor of Mitcham (1961-62). West side bears coat of arms of Borough of Mitcham. North side inscription reads: 'Mitcham Green, a birthplace of the noble game of cricket which has been played here since the early 18th century'. East side inscription reads: 'Some notable Mitcham cricketers' followed by 16 names, including Burn Bullock, after whom nearby listed public house (formerly King's Head) is named.

25.8 Wimbledon Common Golf Club
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25.8 Wimbledon Common Golf Club clubhouse

19 Camp Road, Wimbledon Common SW19 4UW

Club: Wimbledon Common Golf Club (f.1908)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Wimbledon Common Golf Club
Date: 1912 with later extensions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22979 71164
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Much altered two storey brick clubhouse with slate roof and neo-Georgian windows, c.late C19, rebuilt for club in 1912 and extended in 1930s after freehold purchased.

25.9 Church Road entrance to AELTC, showing south east corner of Centre Court
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25.9 All England Lawn Tennis Club Centre Court

Church Road, Wimbledon SW19 5AE

Club: All England Lawn Tennis Club (f.1868)
Sport/s: lawn tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1922 with numerous extensions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24150 72317
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: One of few surviving historic structures within 42 acre grounds of AELTC, opened 1922 after move from Worple Road (25.1). Designed by Stanley Peach, ivy-clad reinforced concrete core of Centre Court still visible amid numerous extensions, most recently addition of retractable roof and associated structures by Populous (2009). Other original structural elements from 1922 also visible inside 15,000 seat arena and in surrounding concourses. Artefacts and more historical material in AELTC Museum on site.

25.10 Wimbledon Stadium
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25.10 Wimbledon Stadium

Plough Lane, Morden SW17 0BL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: greyhound, stock car racing, formerly also speedway
Owner: private company
Date: 1928 with additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 26216 71850
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Utilitarian stadium built by London contractors WJ Cearns for greyhound racing, holding 42,000 at peak. Original steel frame stands and timber terracing with asbestos roof sheeting at both ends and east side. West Stand upgraded in 1956 after wartime damage, with subsequent additions. Staged speedway 1928-2005. In poor state overall. No buildings of historic interest, demolition anticipated.

25.11 former Oberon Athletic Pavilion, Lindisfarne Road, now Hall School
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25.11 Hall School pavilion, former Oberon Sports Pavilion
Lindisfarne Road, West Wimbledon SW20 0NW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, cricket, general sports
Owner: Hall School, Wimbledon
Date: 1931
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22296 70134
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial and unusually intact two storey brick pavilion and groundsman's flat, designed by George & TS Vickery for Oberon Athletic Club, formed for staff at George Brettle & Co, makers of hosiery (Oberon was a popular line). Brick with pantile roof, central copper clock tower (bearing date 1931), reinforced concrete first floor viewing balcony forms verandah facing playing fields, Crittall windows throughout. Dormer windows are late C20 PVC replacements. Well preserved interior includes club room with oak floor, stage, serving hatch linked to kitchens and residential accommodation at rear, with garden and original iron railings. Building used as hospital in wartime, donated to Surrey County Council 1949. Purchased by Hall School 2013. Playing fields, but not pavilion, form part of Copse Hill Conservation Area.

25.12 Wimbledon Park Bowls Club pavilion
©Wimbledon Park Bowling Club

25.12 Wimbledon Park Bowls Pavilion and Fitness Centre
Wimbledon Park SW19 7HX

Club: Wimbledon Park Bowls Club (f.1909)
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: LB of Merton
Date: early 1930s
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24784 72470
Conservation Area: Wimbledon North

Notes: Typical inter-war London parks pavilion, single storey brick with hipped tiled roof, central square clock tower and large dormer in centre, open verandah facing onto greens (originally four, now two, one a fitness trail). From 1935-76 the clubhouse and greens staged the championships of the London Parks Bowling Association and the English Women's Bowling Association (relocated to Royal Leamington Spa in 1977). Wimbledon Park is Grade II* on English Heritage Register of Historic Parks and Gardens. List entry: 1000852

25.13 Mitcham Golf Club, Mitcham Common
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25.13 Mitcham Golf Club clubhouse

Carshalton Road, Mitcham Junction CR4 4HN

Club: Mitcham GC (f.1924) / Mitcham Village GC (f.1907)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Mitcham Common Conservators
Date: 1933
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28352 67614
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Extended bungalow-style clubhouse with hipped tiled gables and central crow-stepped dormer gable (originally with window), white rendered walls and two storey service block at rear (backing onto railway). Original open verandah now glazed in. Two western gables added late 1930s or post war, plus utilitarian single storey extensions at rear. Clubhouse serves course laid out on Mitcham Common in 1891 for private Prince's Club, turned over to full public use in 1924.

25.14 Pavilion at Raynes Park Sports Ground
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25.14 Raynes Park Sports Ground pavilion

Taunton Avenue, Raynes Park SW20 0BH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, rugby, cricket, tennis, hockey
Owner: LB of Merton
Date: c.early 1930s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22604 69183
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial vernacular-style two storey brick pavilion and social club built for staff of Southern Railway Company, with deep pitched tiled roofs, symmetrical plan, central verandah and balcony. Taken over by local authority. Also within site is bowling green with small pavilion of similar style to main pavilion.

25.15 Pavilion at Sir Joseph Hood Memorial Playing Field, Marina Avenue, Motspur Park
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25.15 Sir Joseph Hood Memorial Playing Fields pavilion

Marina Avenue, Motspur Park KT3 6NE

Club: n/a
Sport/s: football, tennis, crazy golf
Owner : LB of Merton
Date: 1936
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22674 67452
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Stripped Art Deco pavilion and 31 acre playing fields laid out in 1931 and endowed by Sir Joseph Hood (1863-1931), former Wimbledon MP and Mayor. Foundation stone and plaque commemorating Sir Joseph Hood in good order. Pavilion now functions as seasonal cafe and nursery but houses honours boards of former bowling clubs based on site: Motspur Park (1937-81) and West Barnes (1944-96). This site not to be confused with Joseph Hood Recreation Ground on Martin Way, Morden.

25.16 Pavilion of Old Tenisonians Association
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25.16 Old Tenisonians Association pavilion

Dornan Fields, Arthur Road, Motspur Park KT3 6LX

Club: Old Tenisonians (cricket club f.1923)
Sport/s: cricket and football
Owner: Old Tenisonians Association
Date: 1936
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 22976 67594
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey brick pavilion in stripped Art Deco style with metal windows, concrete facings and flat roof, built for Old Boys of Archbishop Tenisons School, Kennington.

25.17 Wimbledon Park Golf Club
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25.17 Wimbledon Park Golf Club clubhouse

Home Park Road SW19 7HR

Club: Wimbledon Park Golf Club (f.1898)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: private club
Date: 1952
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24927 72201
Conservation Area: Wimbledon North

Notes: Substantial brick clubhouse b.1952 (to replace bomb damaged predecessor) in domestic style, deep tiled roofs, terraces, gable ends with hanging tiles, with later extensions to north. Serves course laid out within former extent of Wimbledon Park, listed Grade II* on Register of Historic Parks and Gardens (listing no.1000852) Includes c.25 trees believed to have been planted as part of original Capability Brown landscape.

25.18 Morden Park Swimming Pool
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25.18 Morden Park Swimming Pool

London Road, Morden SM4 5HE

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming and diving
Owner: LB of Merton
Date: 1967
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24906 67491
Conservation Area: Upper Morden

Notes: post war public baths in former gardens of Morden Park House, by GC Lowe & Ptnrs. Main pool hall formed by tapered concrete vertical ribs and curved roof trusses, infilled with glass and concrete panels. Houses pool (110' x 42') with diving pit and 300 seats. Also teaching pool (41' x 24'). Adjoining single storey brick entrance block on north side with flat roof, and raised rectangular block housing services. Original signage stating Swimming on west side. An interesting and increasingly rare surviving example of public baths design from 1960s.

Also in Merton:

25.19 former Merton Park Golf Club clubhouse

Maycross Avenue, Morden SM4 4DA
b.1914, architect JS Brocklebank, converted to residential use after golf course developed as housing in 1933. Links Avenue within estate records former golf course.

25.20 Merton Park Bowling Club
John Innes Park, Mostyn Road, Merton Park SW19 3LL
Bowls club (f.1926) with single storey post war pavilion. Merton Park Conservation Area.

25.21 King George's Field
Tudor Drive, Morden SM4
20 acre recreation ground, endowed 1951 by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. One of 471 sites endowed 1935-65, 31 in London. Standard KGF heraldic gates at entrance.

25.22 Grandstand at Wimbledon Park athletics track © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

25.22 Wimbledon Park athletics track and grandstand
Wimbledon Park, Home Park Road SW19 8AU
Local authority athletics facility opened in 1952, with small utilitarian steel and concrete stand added 1961. Track surrounded by tall screen of conifers and poplars. Wimbledon North Conservation Area.

25.23 Wimbledon Park Watersports Centre
Wimbledon Park, Home Park Road SW19 7HX
Functional modern boathouse and pavilion, stock brick, lean to glazed panels with raised timber-clad lean to tower overhanging entrance, built by LCC c.1970. Serves boating lake, a remnant of Capability Brown landscape c.1760. Wimbledon North Conservation Area.

25.24 Wimbledon Park tennis pavilion
Wimbledon Park, Home Park Road SW19 8AU
Timber and brick pavilion b.1992, steep ridged roof with gable ends and distinctive verandah. Also houses café. Wimbledon North Conservation Area.

25.25 The Wimbledon Club
Church Road SW19 5AG
Private multi-sports club occupying nine acres of Grade II* Wimbledon Park (listing no.1000852) owned by AELTC. Ground originally laid out for cricket by Wimbledon Cricket Club (f.1854). Pavilion 1973-78. Also hosts tennis, hockey and squash.

25.26 Grandstand at Tooting & Mitcham FC © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

25.26 Tooting & Mitcham Football Club & Hub Fitness Centre
Imperial Fields, Bishopsford Road, Morden SM4 6BF
3,500 capacity football ground b.2002, including concrete east stand seating 600 with cantilevered steel roof, forming part of community sports and social club.

25.27 Joseph Hood Recreation Ground
Martin Way, Morden SW20 9BX
Local authority pavilion serving 8.5 ha ground endowed by Sir Joseph Hood (see 25.15).

26.0 Newham

26.1 former Spotted Dog Inn
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26.1 former Spotted Dog Inn

Upton Lane, Forest Gate E7

Club: Clapton Football Club (f.1877)
Sport/s: football, formerly cricket
Owner: private
Date: C15/16 with C19 & C20 additions
Designation: Grade II (25.9.1967)
List entry: 1191297
NGR: TQ 40378 84504
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Weatherboarded timber frame public house with late C15/16 elements, pantiled roof, currently unoccupied (2014) and on HAR since 2008. Included for its historic associations as public house serving the Spotted Dog sports ground, where cricket first recorded 1844. Ground now football only, occupied since 1888 by amateurs Clapton FC. No other buildings of historic interest.

26.2 Interior and glass roof of billiard room at Boleyn Tavern, Barking Road
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26.2 Boleyn Tavern

1 Barking Road E6 1PW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: pool, darts, formerly billiards, snooker
Owner: private company
Date: 1900
Designation: Grade II (25.10.1984)
List entry: 1293693
NGR: TQ 41462 83264
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial public house from gin palace era, red brick with stone and stucco detailing, corner turret, gabled dormers, designed by WG Shoebridge and HW Rising. Ground floor billiard room decorated with impressive plasterwork and Mansard-style coloured glass lantern above where original billiard tables positioned (now single pool table). Site has long term association with supporters of West Ham United FC.

26.3 Boleyn Ground, Upton Park
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26.3 Boleyn Ground

Green Street, Upton Park E13 9AZ

Club: West Ham United (f.1895)
Sport/s: football
Owner: West Ham United
Date: 1904, remodelled late C20
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 41553 83434
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: 35,000 capacity modern football stadium. East Stand b.1968, others post 2000. No buildings of historic interest but site houses memorial gates, memorial garden to deceased supporters, various plaques and numerous artefacts from football club's history (including stored exhibits from club museum 2002-06). Stadium scheduled for demolition c.2016.

Also in Newham:

26.4 Memorial Recreation Ground pavilion
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26.4 Memorial Recreation Ground

Memorial Avenue, Canning Town E15 3DB

Public park originally built 1897 as multi-purpose sports ground by Arnold Hills (Thames Ironworks), including cycle and athletic tracks, open air swimming pool, tennis courts. Formed base of Thames Ironwork FC (later West Ham United) 1897-1904, hence claret and blue iron gates at Grange Road entrance, touted as possible FA Cup Final venue. Reverted to public park post WW1. Northern pitch forms base of East London Rugby Club. Modern pavilion erected 2009, Saville Jones architects. No buildings of historic interest.

26.5 Terence McMillan Stadium

Prince Regent Lane, Plaistow E13 8SD
Local authority athletics stadium and leisure centre, opened c.1965, named after first mayor of Newham, remodelled post 2000. No buildings of historic interest.

27.0 Redbridge

27.1 Former sports pavilion of the Port of London Authority, now Cranbrook Lane Primary School
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27.1 former Port of London Authority pavilion, now Cranbrook Lane Primary School,

The Drive, Ilford IG1 3PS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: various
Owner: LB of Redbridge
Date: 1923
Designation: Grade II (6.5.1999)
List entry: 1387180
NGR: TQ 42694 87907
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey symmetrical red brick pavilion designed by Sir Edwin Cooper for the PLA sports club, with sports ground to rear. PLA crest survives on tympanum of neo-classical portico entrance to south. North elevation matches south. Barrel-vaulted corridor runs north-south between the porticos. Also on site is two storey brick cottage occupied by groundsman/steward. Pavilion converted into administrative block serving modern school built to immediate west 2006-09.

27.2 Former Temperance Billiard Hall, now Christian Centre © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

27.2 former Temperance Billiard Hall, now City Gates Christian Centre

316 High Road, Ilford IG1 1QW

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards
Owner: City Gates Christian Centre
Date: 1925
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 44361 86638
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former Temperance Billiard Hall built by local businessmen (ie not part of Temperance Billiard Hall Company chain in London and Manchester). Architect JA Dartnall. Two storey brick with stone dressings, tiled roofs, single storey entrance leading to upper and lower main halls. Later converted to restaurant, now faith centre.

27.3 Pavilion at Ashton Playing Fields
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27.3 Ashton Playing Fields pavilion

598 Chigwell Road, Woodford Green IG8 8AA

Club: Woodford Green with Essex Ladies Athletics Club (f.1908)
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: LB of Redbridge
Date: 1937
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 42055 91711
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Stripped Moderne flat roofed brick pavilion with stucco walls, metal windows, consisting of two single storey dressing room wings canted from octagonal entrance block with clerestory windows and central tower. Playing fields were named after main donor, HS Ashton of Ingatestone.

27.4 Ford Sports and Social Club, Newbury Park
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27.4 Fords Sports and Social Club

Aldborough Road South, Newbury Park IG3 8HG

Club: Ford Sports and Social Club
Sport/s: football, rugby, cricket, bowls, badminton
Owner: private company
Date: 1960
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 45779 88603
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey modern brick and steel clubhouse ranged around central hall with arched clear span roof and clerestory windows. Good example of post war company sports pavilion with many original features and materials.

27.5 Fullwell Cross Leisure Centre

140 High Street, Ilford IG6 2EA

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnasium
Owner: LB of Redbridge
Date: 1968, remodelled 1987 and 2007
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 44494 90228
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Swimming pool designed by Frederick Gibberd as part of post war civic centre. Functional stripped pool hall, few original elements evident. Adjacent library, also by Gibberd, listed Grade II (list no. 1391938)

27.6 Pavilion at the Woodford Wells Club
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27.6 Woodford Wells Club pavilion

Monkhams Lane, Woodford Green IG8 0NL

Club: Woodford Wells Club (f.1865)
Sport/s: cricket, tennis, hockey, squash, indoor bowls, table tennis
Owner: private club
Date: 1982
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 40532 92616
Conservation Area: Woodford Broadway

Notes: Two storey rectangular modern brick clubhouse in light brown brick with timber cladding, flat roofs to south, upper level set back with concealed pitched roof and viewing balcony over cricket pitch. Dressing rooms and large function hall, steel frame windows throughout. Block of squash courts to rear with matching external materials.

Also in Redbridge:

27.7 Woodford Green Cricket Club
High Road, Woodford Green IG8 0XS
Village green ground said to have staged cricket since c.1735 and certainly since 1786. No buildings of historic interest. Woodford Green Conservation Area.

27.8 Repton Park swimming pool in former Claybury Hospital chapel © Virgin Active

27.8 Virgin Active Health Club swimming pool & gymnasium
Repton Park, Manor Road, Woodford Green IG8 8GN
Former chapel of Claybury Hospital, b. 1890, designed by GT Hine, Grade II, list entry 1080979, converted into swimming pool c.2004. Former recreation hall now gymnasium. Remaining hospital buildings now residential.

Also in former hospital grounds, by Clarence Gate, a colonial-style timber and brick pavilion, date unknown, originally to serve hospital cricket ground. Site forms the Claybury Conservation Area.

27.8 Repton Park pavilion, formerly serving cricket ground of Claybury Hospital
© Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

27.9 Wanstead Golf Club
Overton Drive E11 2LW
Golf course laid out 1893 to designs of Tom Dunn in grounds of Wanstead House, originally deer park c.1545, now Wanstead Park, public since 1882, listed Grade II* and forming Wanstead Park Conservation Area, list entry 1000194. Golf club purchased course 1920. Clubhouse is late C18 former stables building, Grade II, list entry 1081009.

27.10 Sir Herbert Dunnico Memorial Gates at Cricklefield Stadium, High Road, Ilford
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27.10 Cricklefield Stadium
486 High Road, Ilford IG1 1UE
Local authority athletics track, opened 1925. Upgraded 1933, 1970s, 1988 and 2003. Facility shared with Ilford Football Club (f.1881). No buildings of historic interest, but ornamental iron gates dedicated to memory of Sir Herbert Dunnico (chairman of Ilford FC), were at Ilford FC's earlier ground, Lynn Road, Newbury Park (1904-77, now housing).

28.0 Richmond upon Thames

28.1 Tiltyard Tower at Hampton Court Palace
© Historic Royal Palaces

28.1 Tiltyard Tower

Hampton Court Palace, Hampton Court Road KT8 9AU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: tilting / jousting
Owner: Historic Royal Palaces
Date: 1538
Designation: Grade 1 (2.9.1952)
List entry: 1065440
NGR: TQ 15648 68706
Conservation Area: Hampton Court Park

Notes: Three storey red brick square tower, one of five viewing towers serving 8 acre tiltyard built by Henry VIII for spectators at tilting (or jousting) tournaments. This is the oldest purpose-built sports related structure in London. Restored 2006. Now in use as café and restaurant.

28.2 Exterior of Royal Tennis Court, Hampton Court
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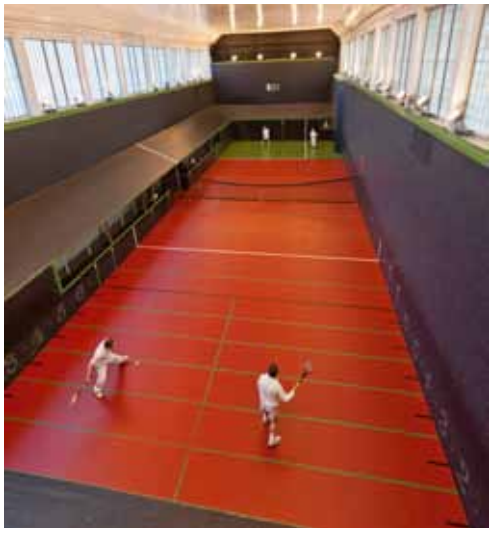
28.2 Royal Tennis Court

Hampton Court Palace, Hampton Court Road KT8 9AU

Club: Royal Tennis Court Club (f.1818)
Sport/s: real tennis
Owner: Historic Royal Palaces
Date: 1625, remodelled 1636-37, 1660-61 and C19
Designation: Grade 1 (2.9.1952)
List entry: 1080809
NGR: TQ15831 68581
Conservation Area: Hampton Court Park

Notes: Royal (or Real) tennis court, one of three recorded at Hampton Court, possibly incorporating ground level wall on east side from first court b.1526-29, with remaining walls dating from 1625. Later additions include hipped tiled roof added 1636-37, clerestory glazing added C19. Court area resurfaced in 1985. Club rooms and workshop for tennis professional in adjoining C17 three storey square red brick lodge to north. Viewing galleries for up to 120 spectators. Entry for members is from west, via Tennis Court Lane. Court is only Grade I listed sports-related building in England that still serves its original function. Is also second oldest functioning covered real tennis court in world (oldest is at Fontainebleau, b.1601) and third oldest real tennis court overall (extant uncovered court at Falkland Palace, Scotland, b.1539). Also at Hampton Court is external wall of the second real tennis court built at Palace, c.1533, visible from gardens on south side, but converted to residential c.1661.



28.2 Interior of Royal Tennis Court, Hampton Court
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28.3 Twickenham Rowing Club, Eel Pie Island
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28.3 Twickenham Rowing Club boathouse

Eel Pie Island, Twickenham TW1 3DY

Club: Twickenham Rowing Club (f.1860)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: private club
Date: c.1880
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 16471 73174
Conservation Area: Twickenham Riverside

Notes: Two storey brick and timber weatherboarded shed with modern metal profile roof. Clubrooms on upper floor with balcony overlooking slipway and channel between island and Twickenham Riverside. Ground level storage for boats. Sheds to east and west both C20.

28.4 Twickenham Yacht Club, showing mezzanine and balcony inserted within original arched docking area © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

28.4 Twickenham Yacht Club boathouse

Riverside, Twickenham TW1 3DL

Club: Twickenham Yacht Club (f.1897)
Sport/s: sailing
Owner: LB of Richmond upon Thames
Date: c.1900
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 16687 73312
Conservation Area: Twickenham Riverside

Notes: Unusually detailed two storey brick boathouse built for private use by Duc d'Orleans, owner of nearby York House, with clay tile roof and Tudorbethan riverside elevation featuring pebbledash facings. Boathouse taken into public ownership and leased to club since 1924. Wood panelled club room on gabled upper floor, lit by octagonal copper cupola. Docking area from river originally extended to top of arch. Mezzanine level added within dock in 1950s. Extended balcony added 2013.

28.5 Rob Roy House, Trowlock Way
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28.5 Rob Roy House
Trowlock Way, Teddington TW11 9QY

Club: Royal Canoe Club (f.1866)
Sport/s: canoeing / rowing
Owner: private club
Date: c.1901
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 17663 70754
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial three storey brick boathouse, Tudorbethan exterior with white pebbledash walls, probably built by boatbuilder Harry Gibbs. Renamed after canoe popularised by founder of Royal Canoe Club, John MacGregor. Ground level boat storage area accessed from slipway. Former club rooms on upper levels now used for storage and accommodation. Building forms part of riverside cluster shared by RCC, Walbrook RC (former club of BP, f.1961) and the Skiff Club (f.1895). Other buildings include Walbrook boathouse (b.1961) and clubhouse of RCC (b.2009).

28.6 Hampton Open Air Swimming Pool
© Hampton Pool Trust

28.6 Hampton Open Air Swimming Pool
High Street, Hampton TW12 2ST

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, water polo, triathlon
Owner: Hampton Pool Trust
Date: 1922
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 14275 70091
Conservation Area: Bushy Park

Notes: Basic open air pool compound constructed by local authority on edge of parkland, closed 1981, re-opened by charitable trust 1985. Main pool 34 x 7m, rebuilt 2004, children's pool 12.5m x 7m, both heated. Functional single storey brick block on north side houses changing rooms, gym and offices, with flat roof serving as sunbathing area, served by upper storey cafe in centre. Turfed sunbathing area to south.

28.7 Fulwell Golf Club clubhouse
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28.7 Fulwell Golf Club clubhouse and outbuildings

Wellington Road, Hampton Hill TW12 1JY

Club: Fulwell Golf Club (f.1904)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: LB of Richmond upon Thames
Date: c.1927 with additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 14590 71775
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey hacienda-style brick clubhouse with pantiled roofs and white stuccoed walls. Two interlinked blocks with central clocktower added 2004. Also on site, two storey brick former farmhouse c.1830, Grade II (list entry 1254356), converted c.1920s into ladies' changing rooms and kitchens, currently residence for Course Manager.

28.8 Rowland Hill Memorial Gates at Twickenham Rugby Stadium © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

28.8 Rowland Hill Memorial Gates

Twickenham Stadium, Whitton Road TW1 1DZ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: rugby
Owner: Rugby Football Union
Date: 1929
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 15225 74231
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Portland stone plinth flanked by gates with pantiled roofs, dedicated to memory Sir George Rowland Hill (1855-1926), Honorary Secretary of Rugby Football Union. Relocated from original position on Whitton Road. Golden lion on top, added 1971, was one of three Coade stone lions originally at Lion Brewery (dem. 1948 to make way for Festival Hall).

Twickenham Stadium: 82,000 seat stadium, opened 1909, redeveloped in stages 1989-2006 by Husband Design Group / Mott MacDonald / Ward McHugh Associates. Houses World Rugby Museum. No buildings of historic interest but various buildings with rugby associations in locale, eg. Cabbage Patch public house (early meeting place of RFU).

28.8 Twickenham Stadium
© World Rugby Museum

28.9 Diving board of the former Twickenham Open Air Baths, now part of the Diamond Jubilee Gardens
© Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

28.9 Diamond Jubilee Gardens, former Twickenham Open Air Baths

The Embankment TW1 3SU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Richmond upon Thames
Date: 1935
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 16282 73160
Conservation Area: Twickenham Riverside

Notes: Remnants of open air swimming pool on site 1935-81, designed by Gilbert R King, Borough Surveyor of Twickenham, now forming part of public gardens created 2009-10. Main pool building demolished 2004. Pool boundaries marked out by paving, plus some retaining walls and reinforced concrete diving board extant.

28.10 Teddington Bowling Club pavilion
© Teddington Bowling Club

28.10 Teddington Bowling Club pavilion

Grove Gardens, Teddington TW11 8AR

Club: Teddington Bowls Club (f.1910)
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: LB Richmond upon Thames
Date: 1935
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 16212 71561
Conservation Area: The Grove

Notes: Typical early C20 brick and timber bowls pavilion with low hipped slated roof, central pedimented gable over entrance bearing club crest, verandah overlooking green with timber columns. Metal frame windows. Originally served two greens and putting green (now play area). Also at green a basic tea room, b.1955.

28.11 South elevation of pavilion at Richmond Athletic Ground © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

28.11 Richmond Athletic Ground pavilion

Twickenham Road, Richmond TW9 2SF

Club: Richmond RFC (f.1861) / London Scottish RFC (f.1878)
Sport/s: rugby union, formerly cricket, athletics, equestrian
Owner: Crown Estate leased to Richmond Athletic Association
Date: 1886
Designation: Grade II (19.11.1997)
List entry: 1031522
NGR: TQ 17964 75473
Conservation Area: Old Deer Park

Notes: Two storey brick pavilion built by Richmond Town Cricket Ground & Athletic Association, used solely by rugby clubs since 1958. Ground floor dressing rooms, first floor offices/lounges with open balcony on all sides. Pantiled roof features ornamental gable facing main pitch to north. Building played significant role in early years of London rugby (before Twickenham) and as centrepiece of annual horse shows 1892-1967.

28.12 Grandstand at Richmond Athletic Ground
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28.12 Richmond Athletic ground grandstand

Twickenham Road, Richmond TW9 2SF

Club: Richmond RFC (f.1861) / London Scottish RFC (f.1878)
Sport/s: rugby
Owner: Crown Estate leased to Richmond Athletic Association
Date: 1958
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 17925 75499
Conservation Area: Old Deer Park

Notes: Unusual reinforced concrete cantilevered grandstand designed by architects Manning & Clamp with engineers Jenkins & Potter. Formed by 13 concrete C-shaped ribs which support both concrete seating tier (seats 960) and concrete roof shell, which is only 110mm in depth. Undercroft filled with prefabricated single storey hospitality lounges, extending beyond rear line of concrete structure. Grandstand is of architectural interest as one of few cantilevered grandstands erected in Britain before the 1970s, and only British example of a of reinforced concrete grandstand seen more commonly in post war Continental Europe.

28.13 Grandstand at Old Deer Park sports ground
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28.13 Old Deer Park sports ground grandstand

187 Kew Road, Richmond TW9 2AZ

Club: London Welsh Rugby Football Club (f.1885)
Sport/s: rugby
Owner: Crown Estate leased to London Welsh
Date: 1957
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 18383 75927
Conservation Area: Old Deer Park

Notes: Precast concrete cantilevered grandstand seating 760, designed by GW Glover & Partners consulting engineers. Basic but rare surviving example of an early cantilevered stand at a British sports ground.

28.14 Pools on the Park, Old Deer Park
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28.14 Pools on the Park

Old Deer Park, Twickenham Road, Richmond TW9 2SF

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Richmond upon Thames
Date: 1966
Designation: Grade II (16.1.1996)
List entry: 1246189
NGR: TQ 17770 75381
Conservation Area: Old Deer Park

Notes: One of four indoor/outdoor pool complexes in London, an idea borrowed from Continent but implemented in England only in post war years (see also 6.10, 15.7, 18.3). Designed by Leslie Gooday, with two indoor pools: main pool (110' x 42), with raised seating tier on east side, full height glazing to north and east, but diving board removed, and teaching pool (24' x 42') with lowered ceiling. Outdoor pool (110' x 42'), served by paved and turfed sunbathing areas. Extensive glazing allows light to flow from outdoor pool to main pool. Bridged walkway forms link from interior to outdoor. Distinctive exterior with exposed steel frame, brown brick and copper cladding. Civic Trust Award 1967.

28.15 Pavilion at Old Deer Park sports ground
© Dave Jackson / Old Deer Park

28.15 Old Deer Park sports ground pavilion

187 Kew Road, Richmond TW9 2AZ

Club: Richmond Cricket Club (f.1862)
Sport/s: cricket, tennis, rugby, bowls, archery
Owner: Crown Estate leased to Richmond CC
Date: 1969
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 18515 75826
Conservation Area: Old Deer Park

Notes: Two storey brick and concrete modern flat-roofed pavilion designed by Frank Saunders & Partners, formed by six interlinked blocks set at angles, three cranked to face cricket pitch to west (southernmost with protruding viewing balcony), three in line facing archery ground to north. Metal windows throughout, some areas of exposed grey brick, others concrete or white timber cladding.

Also in Richmond upon Thames

28.16 Richmond Green

Historic open space where tilting recorded 1492, cricket 1666. Also cradle of local football and rugby in 1860s. Still used for club cricket. Cricketers pub c.1770 on south east side of green locally listed. Richmond Green Conservation Area.

28.17 Richmond Golf Club (f.1891)

Sudbrook Park, Sudbrook Lane, Richmond TW10 7AS
Club based in Grade I Sudbrook House b.1726, by James Gibb (list entry 1252877). Petersham Conservation Area.

28.18 Kew Green

Historic open space where cricket recorded 1737. Pitch used by Kew CC (f.1882) with timber pavilion on north side. Cricketers pub on north side of green (formerly Rose & Crown) locally listed. Kew Green Conservation Area.

28.19 Barnes Bowling Club
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28.19 Barnes Bowling Club

Sun Inn, 7 Church Road, Barnes SW13 9HE
Rectangular bowling green played on since c.1775–1805. Significant for being only pub bowling green extant in London, and for 'Elizabethan' type of bowls (neither crown green or flat green, using high-bias bowls). No bowls-related buildings of historic interest, but adjacent Sun Inn is Grade II (list entry 1261429). Barnes Green Conservation Area.

28.20 Hampton Hill Cricket Club (f.1855)
The Pavilion, Bushy Park, Cricket Lane TW12 1PA
Historic club based in park since 1890. Modern pavilion b.2014. No buildings of historic interest.

28.21 Hampton Court Palace Golf Club (f.1895)
Home Park, Kingston upon Thames KT1 4AD
18 hole golf course laid out by Willie Park, set within Grade I listed Hampton Court Park (list entry 1000108). Only golf course in a Royal Park. Modern clubhouse. No buildings of historic interest.

28.22 Strawberry Hill Golf Club (f.1902)
Wellesley Road, Twickenham TW2 5SD
Nine hole course laid out by JH Taylor 1902. Current clubhouse b.1983. No buildings of historic interest.

28.23 Barnes Sports Club (f.1919)
The Club House, Lonsdale Road, Barnes SW13 9QL
Single storey brick clubhouse c.1930s with tiled roof serving grounds for cricket, tennis, hockey plus squash courts. Dressing rooms in separate single storey range.

28.24 Richmond Park Golf Courses
Richmond Park, Norstead Place SW15 3SA
Two municipal golf courses, laid out 1923. Resident club Richmond Park Golf Club (f.1924 as Priory GC). No buildings of historic interest.

28.25 Aquarius Sailing Club (f.1948)
Sunnyside, Lower Sunbury Road, Hampton TW12 2FZ
Basic timber boathouse b.1952 for club formed by staff of Metropolitan Water Board. For other Aquarius clubs see 15.5 and 29.6.

28.26 Hampton & Richmond Football Club (f.1921)
Beveree Stadium, Beaver Close, Hampton TW12 2BX
3,500 capacity football ground opened 1959 for Hampton FC, renamed Hampton & Richmond Borough FC in 1999. No buildings of historic interest.

28.27 Hampton Sailing Club boathouse
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28.27 Hampton Sailing Club (f.1944)
Benn's Island, Ben's Alley, Hampton TW12 2EW
Basic timber flat-roofed boathouse b.1962 on piles over riverbed, with additions 1973 and since, inc. riverside viewing balcony.

28.28 Stoop Stadium, Harlequins FC
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28.28 Adrian Stoop Memorial Ground / Stoop Stadium
Langhorn Drive, Twickenham TW2 7SX
14,800 seat modern rugby stadium owned by Harlequin FC (f.1866), originally opened as local authority athletics and rugby stadium 1963, named after Harlequin & England player Adrian Stoop (1883-1957). No buildings of historic interest.

28.29 Barn Elms Sailing Centre
Queen Elizabeth Walk SW13 0DG
Comprising single storey functional boathouse b.1968 for Parrs Priory Rowing Club (f.1872 as Westminster Bank RC) and local schools, and two storey boathouse b.1977 for South Bank Sailing Club (f.1952).

28.30 Teddington Pool and Fitness Centre
Vicarage Road, Teddington, TW11 8EZ
On site of former Teddington Lido (1931-1975).
Swimming pool (25m) and small learners pool b.1978.

29.0 Southwark

29.1 Herne Hill Velodrome
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29.1 Herne Hill Velodrome

104 Burbage Road, Herne Hill SE24 9HE

Club: Velo Club Londres (f.1964)
Sport/s: track cycling, cyclo-cross
Owner: leased by British Cycling from Dulwich Estate
Date: 1891
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32782 74203
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Oldest functioning cycle track in Britain and second oldest in world (cf. Erfurt, Germany b.1885). Original timber and brick grandstand (boarded up since 1980s) features cast iron columns with decorated capitals. Structure otherwise utilitarian and much altered. Velodrome is one of few venues used in 1948 Olympics still in use for original purpose. Brick gateposts and curved rendered walls form modest entrance on Burbage Road.

29.2 Dulwich Leisure Centre
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29.2 Dulwich Leisure Centre, former Dulwich Baths

45 East Dulwich Road SE22 9HB

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Southwark
Date: 1892
Designation: Grade II (27.7.1993)
List entry: 1385509
NGR: TQ 34031 75285
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Oldest functional swimming baths in London, one of pair designed by Spalding & Cross for Camberwell Vestry (see also 29.3). Entrance block in red brick with stone dressings in Queen Anne style, houses offices and former men's slipper bath area (one of two extant in London, see also 20.6), former superintendent's flat on first floor. Main pool at rear (120' x 35') with hammer beam timber roof and iron balcony on three sides, now gymnasium. Second pool at southern end of site (90' x 35') in use. Entrance block superceded by new entrance block and café on Crystal Palace Road to east as part of substantial refurbishment by Watkins Gray International architects 2009-11.

29.3 Camberwell Leisure Centre
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29.3 Camberwell Leisure Centre, former Camberwell Baths

Artichoke Place SE5 8TS

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Southwark
Date: 1892
Designation: Grade II (27.7.1993)
List entry: 1376535
NGR: TQ 32697 76818
Conservation Area: Camberwell Green

Notes: One of pair of public baths designed by Spalding & Cross for Camberwell Vestry (see also 29.2). Entrance block in red brick with stone dressings in Flemish Renaissance style. Main pool at rear (120' x 35') with original hammer beam timber roof and iron balcony on three sides. Second pool at northern end of site (120' x 35') now sports hall. Refurbished 2010-13 by Watkins Gray International architects.

29.4 Former Newington Baths, Manor Place
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29.4 Kagyu Samye Dzong Buddhist Centre, former Newington Public Baths

Manor Place SE17 3BD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Southwark
Date: 1898
Designation: Grade II (31.5.1996)
List entry: 1385689
NGR: TQ 32141 78327
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Unusually extended former entrance blocks to baths complex, by EB l'Anson for Vestry of St Mary Newington. Brick with terracotta dressings, formerly housing offices (in three storey centre), flanked by two storey entrances to baths and slipper baths (to east with clock tower) and wash-house. Complex closed 1978. Main pool hall at rear (120' x 40') converted to council waste centre, but core structure extant (iron roof trusses and glazing, circular window at east end wall with vestry arms in coloured glass). Second class pool (124' x 35') to west, and ladies' pool (60' x 25'), to east, both demolished c.1980. Entrance block served various uses including council planning offices, leased by Kagyu Samye Dzong London 2007.

29.5 Former gymnasium at Alleyn's School
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29.5 Alleyn's School former gymnasium

Townley Road, Dulwich SE22 8SU

Club: n/a
Sport/s: gymnastics
Owner: Alleyn's School
Date: 1905
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33348 74666
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brick gymnasium forming single double-height space with plain timber trussed roof and raised end wall viewing gallery, now used as school drama studio. Illegible faded plaque on end wall. Adjoining gymnasium are three former Rugby fives courts, b.1906, now used for storage.

29.6 Aquarius Golf Club, Honor Oak, showing listed Valve House in centre of nine hole course
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29.6 Aquarius Golf Club

Marmora Road, Honor Oak SE22 0RY

Club: Aquarius Golf Club (f.1912)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Thames Water
Date: 1912
Designation: unlisted (but see notes)
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 35413 74455
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Unique nine hole golf course laid out on surface of underground reservoir, built by Metropolitan Water Board 1905-09. Club formed for staff under banner of MWB's Aquarius Club. (Other clubs listed at 15.5 and 28.25). Basic single storey brick and timber clubhouse on south side with brick annexe, neither structure of historic interest. Grade II Italianate Valve House in centre of course, b.1905 (list entry 1378477).

29.7 Old Alleynians RFC original clubhouse
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29.7 Old Alleynians RFC second clubhouse
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29.7 Old Alleynians Rugby Football Club clubhouses

Dulwich Common SE21 7HA

Club: Old Alleynians RFC (f.1898)
Sport/s: rugby
Owner: Dulwich Estate
Date: 1931 and 1961
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33933 73087
Conservation Area: Dulwich Wood

Notes: Pair of pavilions serving rugby pitches for club of former pupils of Dulwich College. West side b.1931, brick and timber with replacement metal profiled roof, wooden verandah, clubroom with brick fireplace. East side b.1961, substantial changing room block with meeting rooms; brick, tiled roof with central, square timber and copper clock tower, dormer windows to attic staff flat.

29.8 Dulwich College pavilion, south elevation
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29.8 Dulwich College pavilion

Dulwich Common SE21 7LD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket, rugby and others
Owner: Dulwich Estate
Date: 1934
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33108 72768
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Substantial red brick pavilion designed by Francis Danby Smith with deep hipped tiled roof, dormers and central clock tower. Facing south, first floor concrete balcony flanked by square towers. Facing north, concrete balcony split at first floor level by pedimented window bay, brickwork bears date 1934. Interior contains honours boards dating from 1860.

29.9 Swimming pool at former Pioneer Health Centre, now Frobisher Place flats
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29.9 Frobisher Place, former Pioneer Health Centre
636 St Mary's Road, Peckham SE15 2EQ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: private residential
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II* (27.9.1972)
List entry: 1385863
NGR: TQ 35268 76590
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Celebrated three storey Modernist concrete, steel and glass health centre designed by Owen Williams for Pioneer Health Centre (operating 1935-1950), with meeting rooms and surgeries ranged around central swimming pool (75' x 40'). Building converted into Adult Education Institute then in 1990s into flats, leaving swimming pool extant for residents. Classic horseshoe diving board no longer in use.

29.10 Dulwich Preparatory School pavilion
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29.10 Dulwich Preparatory School pavilion
Gallery Road, Dulwich SE21 7AD

Club: n/a
Sport/s: cricket, rugby and other
Owner: Dulwich Preparatory School Trust
Date: 1935
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32928 73770
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Classic timber pavilion with tiled Dutch gable roof, weatherboarding, extended verandah on three sides, central pedimented scorebox. Built by Lloyd's Register Sports Club, restored 2002 by Dulwich Preparatory School.

29.11 Dulwich Sports Ground pavilion
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29.11 Dulwich Sports Ground pavilion

Turney Road, Dulwich SE21 7JJ

Club: various
Sport/s: football, cricket, rugby and others
Owner: Southwark Community Sports Trust
Date: 1936
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32695 73734
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Yellow brick pavilion built by Borough Polytechnic Institute (later South Bank University) with metal windows. Single storey flat roof dressing rooms to east and west flanking central octagonal club room, double height interior, topped by tiled roof. South facing verandah. Two storey service block at rear. Closed 2010, taken over and restored by trust formed by five local clubs and sporting bodies, reopened 2012.

29.12 Dulwich Sports Club squash courts
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29.12 Dulwich Sports Club squash courts

Burbage Road, Dulwich SE24 9HP

Club: Dulwich Sports Club (f.1867)
Sport/s: squash
Owner: Dulwich Sports Club
Date: 1930s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32408 73963
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Two storey brick building housing two squash courts, built by Grays of Cambridge, with white rendered walls. Interior court walls rendering by Bickley & Co., Battersea. Rare example of pre war freestanding squash courts, forming part of larger Dulwich Sports Club grounds (see also 29.15).

29.13 Mary Datchelor playing fields pavilion
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29.13 Mary Datchelor playing fields pavilion

Hunts Slip Road, Dulwich SE21

Club: n/a
Sport/s: rugby, cricket and others
Owner: Dulwich Preparatory School
Date: 1964
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33311 72562
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Modern rectangular brick pavilion with flat timber frame roof, circular air vent and metal windows. Designed by LCC Parks Department for Mary Datchelor School for Girls, now used by Dulwich Preparatory School and Kingsdale Foundation School.

29.14 Dulwich and Sydenham Golf Club clubhouse
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29.14 Dulwich and Sydenham Hill Golf Club clubhouse

Grange Lane, College Road, Dulwich SE21 7LH

Club: Dulwich and Sydenham Golf Club (f.1894)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Dulwich and Sydenham Golf Club
Date: 1966
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 33945 72723
Conservation Area: Dulwich Wood

Notes: Hilltop two storey modern steel framed pre-fabricated rectangular clubhouse with flat roof and timber weatherboarding, metal windows, plain white cladding to south and full length balcony overlooking course to north.

29.15 Dulwich Sports Club pavilion
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29.15 Dulwich Sports Club pavilion

Burbage Road, Dulwich SE24 9HP

Club: Dulwich Sports Club (f.1867)
Sport/s: cricket, football, tennis, bowls
Owner: Dulwich Sports Club
Date: 1972
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 32381 73889
Conservation Area: Dulwich Village

Notes: Two storey brick pavilion with ground floor dressing rooms, first floor clubroom with full height windows facing cricket pitch, central steel staircase. Dedicated to AW Fairbairns (1915-76).

Also in Southwark

29.16 Streatham & Malborough Cricket Club
Cox's Walk, Dulwich Common SE21 7EX
Club formed 2003 from merger of Streatham CC (f.1805) and Marlborough (f.1870). Ground in use at least since early C20. No buildings of historic interest. Dulwich Wood Conservation Area.

29.17 Old College Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club (f.1879 or 1884)
Gallery Road, Dulwich SE21 7AB
Long established club on original grounds. Formed as Dulwich Tennis Club, reformed under current name 1920. No buildings of historic interest. Dulwich Village Conservation Area.

29.18 former baths and wash-house, Wells Way
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29.18 Lynn Boxing Club (f.1892)
Wells Way, Burgess Park SE5 0PX
Grade II former baths and wash-house b.1902 (list entry 1386038). Now partly occupied by one of Britain's oldest boxing clubs, previously based at 29.4 (1952-81).

29.19 Dulwich Hamlet Football Club (f.1893)
Champion Hill Stadium, Edgar Kail Way
Dog Kennel Hill SE22 8BD
3,000 capacity stadium b.1992 on site of older ground converted into enclosed football ground by Dulwich Hamlet 1931. No buildings of historic interest. Access road named after former player Edgar Kail (1900-76). Plaque to club founder Lorraine 'Pa' Wilson (1865-1924).

29.20 Dulwich Park Bowls Club (f.1899)
Dulwich Park SE21
Single bowling green served by typical c.1930s park pavilion, brick with low hipped tiled roof and verandah, and by c.1950s brick pavilion with flat roof, corner forming verandah with steel poles and railings.

29.21 Dulwich Constitutional Club (f.1886)
33 East Dulwich Grove SE22 8PW
Members club occupying red brick Concert Hall (with billiard room in attic floor) and adjoining two storey Small Hall, b.1888-90. Bowling green at rear.

29.22 Griffin Sports Ground pavilion
12 Dulwich Village SE21 7AL
Single storey brick pavilion with slate roof built c.1922 for J Sainsbury, now leased by King's College London. Dulwich Village Conservation Area.

29.23 former lido aerator fountain, Southwark Park
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29.23 Southwark Park Lido, former aerator fountain
Southwark Park, Gomm Road SE16 2EH
Concrete 'wedding cake' aerator fountain originally b.1923 to serve Southwark Park Lido (1923-89). Now railed off. Lido area converted in play area.

29.24 Alleyn's School Rugby fives courts
Townley Road, Dulwich SE22 8SU
Block of four Rugby fives courts in stock brick with modern metal profiled roofs. Two courts b.1934, two b.1961, commemorating former national champion, John Pretlove. Modernised with additional covered entrance hall.

29.25 London Borough of Southwark Sports Ground
Dulwich Common SE21 7EU
Former sports ground of Samuel Jones & Co., laid out in 1930s, with single storey brick clubhouse, tiled roof, used by Peckham Town Football Club (f.1982) and social club. Bowling green used by Southwark Sports Bowling Club (f.1977). No buildings of historic interest.

29.26 Camber Tennis Club (f.1939)
Dulwich Common SE21 7EX
Basic clubhouse serving tennis courts. Dulwich Wood Conservation Area.

29.27 Seven Islands Leisure Centre
100 Lower Road, Rotherhithe SE16 2TU
Brutalist swimming complex b.1965 with 33m pool, designed by Bermondsey Architects Dept, with original concrete cladding. Unusually unaltered 1960s example.

29.28 Edward Alleyn Club pavilion
rear of 83-85 Burbage Road, Dulwich SE24 9HD
Retro-style brick pavilion c.1980s, with pitched tiled roofs, traditional clock tower, metal windows. Serves alumni association for Alleyn's School.

29.29 Trevor Bailey Sports Ground pavilion
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29.29 Trevor Bailey Sports Ground pavilion and sports hall
Dulwich Common SE21 7HA
Extensive ranch-style red and yellow brick pavilion b.2000 by Dulwich College. Interlinked single, two and three storey blocks with verandahs overlooking pitches to south. Named after former pupil and England cricketer. Dulwich Wood Conservation Area.

29.30 Southwark Park Bowling Club (f.1908)
Southwark Park, Gomm Road SE16
Retro-style pavilion with copper clad roof, b.2002 to replace original.

30.0 Sutton

30.1 former mid C19 Sutton Station waiting room, later Sutton Cricket Club pavilion, now used for storage © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

30.1 Sutton Cricket Club

Gander Green Lane, Sutton SM1 2EH

Club: Sutton Cricket Club (f.1857)
Sport/s: cricket, squash
Owner: Sutton Cricket Club
Date: 1858
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25121 63962
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Historic ground occupied since 1858. Original pavilion on north east corner of site was former waiting room at Sutton Station (b.1845), bought from LB & SC Railways 1865. Much altered 1928 after fire, and 1964. Thatched roof now tiled, verandah enclosed. Building now used for storage. Plaque on front summarises history. Main pavilion in south west corner b.1976, brick, single storey, flat roof/viewing terrace, squash courts to rear.

30.2 Original pavilion of Purley Cricket Club (now Purley Sports Club), b.1907, with modern extensions © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

30.2 Exterior of Purley Sports Club squash courts, b.1933 © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

30.2 Purley Sports Club pavilion and squash courts

The Ridge, Purley CR8 3PF

Club: Purley Sports Club (f.1905)
Sport/s: bowls, cricket, tennis, hockey, netball, squash
Owner: Purley Sports Club
Date: 1907 with additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29564 62221
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Interlinked range of buildings onsite originally laid out for Purley Cricket Club (renamed Purley Sports Club 1988). To west, original 1907 two storey stuccoed vernacular clubhouse with tiled roofs, three gable ends facing south, two gable ends facing sports ground to north with modern brick porch and flat roof lounge extension. At west end of range, two brick squash courts b.1933 with pitched roofs and skylights, first floor viewing gallery, reconstructed 1950s after WW2 bomb damage, with two extra courts. Fifth, glass fronted squash court added 2000. Also in grounds modern timber bowls pavilion b.2000. Unusual range of sports on offer at single club.

30.3 Banstead Downs Golf Clubhouse
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30.3 Banstead Downs Golf Club clubhouse

Burdon Lane, Belmont, Sutton SM2 7DD

Club: Banstead Downs Golf Club (f.1890)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Banstead Downs Golf Club
Date: c.1910 with additions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 25222 61616
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two storey brick clubhouse with tiled roofs and white rendered wall, with original 1910 vernacular core, surrounded by single and two storey flat roofed extensions and conservatory. Serves 18 hole course designed by James Braid which lies across boundary in Reigate & Banstead.

30.4 Woodcote Park Golf Clubhouse
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30.4 Woodcote Park Golf Club

Bridle Way, Coulsdon CR5 2QQ

Club: Woodcote Park Golf Club (f.1912)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Woodcote Park Golf Club
Date: 1912 with additions
Designation: unlisted (but see below)
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28992 60501
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: 18 hole golf course served by clubhouse with original pavilion b.1912 in centre, built by Woodcote Grove Estates Ltd in domestic style with Arts and Crafts influence. Single storey south facing brick with tiled roof, dormers and end bay windows. Arched central pediment bears initials WPGC. Various later C20 single storey extensions to north and west in matching style, with white pebbledash walls and plain brick detailing. Also on site, in group of outbuildings to west, substantial Grade II C18 brick barn (list entry 1065701), used for storing greenkeeping equipment.

30.5 Wallington Bowling Club clubhouse
© Wallington Bowling Club

30.5 Wallington Bowling Club clubhouse
13 Grosvenor Road, Wallington SM6 0EN

Club: Wallington Bowling Club (f.1921)
Sport/s: bowls, billiards
Owner: Wallington Bowling Club
Date: 1920-21 with later extension
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28732 64001
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Vernacular two storey brick bowls clubhouse serving single green, with rendered walls, built in two phases: 1920-21 east section with central roof gable, verandah and seven first floor windows, billiard room; west section with matching gable, three first floor windows added post war.

30.6 Sutton Tennis & Squash Club
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30.6 Sutton Tennis and Squash Club clubhouse
19 Devonshire Road, Sutton SM2 5HH

Club: Sutton Tennis & Squash Club (f.1923)
Sport/s: tennis, squash
Owner: private trust
Date: 1921
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 26409 63051
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial two storey domestic-style brick clubhouse with multi-gabled tiled roof. East elevation (facing courts) symmetrical with gable ends flanking conservatory. West elevation (facing road) features ground floor bay window, mansard gable and later flat roof single storey extension with entrance canopy. Detached plain brick block to south houses squash courts b.1970s.

30.7 Cuddington Golf Club clubhouse
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30.7 Cuddington Golf Club clubhouse
Banstead Road, Banstead SM7 1RD

Club: Cuddington Golf Club (f.1929)
Sport/s: golf
Owner: Cuddington Golf Club
Date: 1929
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 24491 60702
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial baronial, country house-style golf clubhouse designed by noted Surrey architect AC Burlingham, two storey brick with deep tiled roofs, north facing wings canted from central range around garden terrace, plus third wing cranked south. Wealth of details, including two prominent Tudoresque chimneys, dormers, balcony, octagonal staircase. 18 hole course laid out by Harry Colt with extensive views towards London.

30.8 Carshalton Beeches Bowling Club pavilion
© Carshalton Beeches Bowling Club

30.8 Carshalton Beeches Bowling Club pavilion
61a Banstead Road South SM2 5LH

Club: Carshalton Beeches Bowling Club (f.1930)
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: Seaton House School
Date: c.1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 26780 62405
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Two storey Arts & Crafts brick pavilion built by developer of local estate, with deep tiled roof and dormers. Gable end facing single bowling green includes white rendered balcony. Unusual in that private school purchased building and occupies ground floor. Bowls club based on upper floor.

30.9 Croygas Sports Club pavilion
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30.9 Croygas Sports Club pavilion
48 Mollison Drive, Wallington SM6 9BY

Club: Croygas Sports Club (f. early 1930s)
Sport/s: football, tennis, bowls, squash, running
Owner: private sports club
Date: c.1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 30280 63588
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Staff club formed by Metropolitan Gas Co, thought to have taken over an existing bowls club (f.1911) with green on western boundary of Croydon Aerodrome. Brick pavilion formed by two storey entrance hall with gable and rooflights, flanked by single storey canted wings with tiled roofs. Modern single storey glazed extension across frontage. To rear (north), separate modern bowls club pavilion b.1996, and green, used by Croygas Bowling Club (f.1911).

30.10 Wallington Sports and Social Club pavilion, formerly Southern Railways Athletic Club
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30.10 Wallington Sports and Social Club pavilion
34 Mollison Drive, Wallington SM6 9BY

Club: Wallington Sports and Social Club
Sport/s: football, cricket, formerly bowls and tennis
Owner: Price Building Services
Date: 1928
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 30306 63795
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Former sportsground and pavilion of Southern Railway Athletic (Waddon) Sports Club laid out in corner of Croydon Aerodrome, once important social and sporting centre for railway staff athletic club in region. Sold to present owner 1997, now in use by local clubs. Substantial two storey brick with stuccoed walls, clay tiled roof and dormers. Most windows boarded over. Half-timbered bar and clubroom (false ceiling) in poor state. Flat roof dressing room extension to south. Former green of Southern Railway Bowls Club to north disused since c.2008, single storey clubhouse now business premises.

30.11 Cheam Leisure Centre entrance before refurbishment in 2014 © LB of Sutton

30.11 Cheam Leisure Centre

Malden Road, North Cheam SM3 8EP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnasium, squash
Owner: LB of Sutton
Date: 1938
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23676 64736
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Restrained two storey brick baths complex designed on symmetrical plan by LN Mitchell on rectangular site. Well preserved east entrance block, flat roof with concrete canopy over entrance, metal windows, leading to single pool (100' x 42') with pitched roof (with modern steel profile cladding). Boiler room at rear with central square brick chimney stack. Squash courts in detached block at rear. Complex refurbished 2014-15.

Also in Sutton

30.12 Pearson Cycle Specialists

126 High Street, Sutton SM1 1LU
Cycle shop reputed to be oldest in world, established 1860 and still owned by Pearson family.

30.13 Main Stand at Borough Sports Ground, Sutton United FC © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

30.13 Sutton United (f.1898)

Borough Sports Ground, Gander Green Lane SM1 2EY
5,000 capacity football ground. First laid out by Adult School 1898. Football club based there since 1919. Local authority purchased site 1934, added cinder running track for Sutton Athletic Club, since removed. Modern terraces and covers built on three sides since 1997, but main 765 seat stand on south side b.1951 representative of functional post war style of steel post and beam grandstand construction. Assorted pre-war turnstiles by various manufacturers also of interest.

30.14 Carshalton Athletic (f.1905)

War Memorial Ground, Colston Ave, Carshalton SM5 2PW
Basic football ground, opened 1921. Two sides of concrete terracing, 1949-53. Plain 240 seat stand b.1972.

30.15 Cheam Sports Club (f.1920)

Peaches Close, Cheam SM2 7BJ
Multi-sports club (football, cricket, tennis, bowling, hockey, squash, korfball, bridge). Substantial modern retro-style brick clubhouse b.2001 (to replace 1931 original) with tiled roof and first floor balcony.

30.16 Wallington Sports Club (f.1921)
Hillside Gardens, Wallington SM6 9NX
Single storey brick clubhouse with tiled roof, b.1997, serving sports ground with tennis, cricket, hockey, netball. (Note: not Wallington Sports & Social Club 30.11)

30.17 Worcester Park Athletic Club (f.1921)
Skinners Field, Green Lane, Worcester Park KT4 8AJ
Sports ground serving sections for football, cricket, bowls, tennis. Purchased by club 1945. Main clubhouse with elements from period 1945-1990. Bowls pavilion c.1990.

30.18 Sutton Bowling Club (f.1928)
Dorset Road, Belmont SM2 6JA
Grounds opened 1982 with substantial brick pavilion and indoor bowls centre, and two outdoor greens.

30.19 The Downs Lawn Tennis Club (f.1920s)
50 Holland Avenue, Cheam SM2 6HU
Single storey brick clubhouse with tiled roof and white rendered walls.

30.20 Cuddington Bowling Club (f.1936)
Cuddington Recreation Gd, Sandringham Road KT4 8UH
Single storey flat roof clubhouse b.1960s serving public green.

30.21 David Weir Leisure Centre, former Sutton Arena
Middleton Road, Carshalton SM5 1SL
Local authority athletics stadium, opened 1953 as Carshalton Sports Arena. Track realigned and relaid 1992, resurfaced 2001. Substantial sports centre b.2003 with indoor track, gymnasiums, clubhouse for Mitcham & Sutton Athletic Club (f.1984). Facility named after local Paralympic gold medallist David Weir 2012.

30.22 Oaks Golf and Sports Centre
Woodmansterne Road, Carshalton SM5 4AN
Extensive brick clubhouse, b.1973-74, rebuilt 2013, serving 18 and 9 hole courses, plus 16 bay floodlit driving range. Also tennis and squash courts, rock climbing centre.

30.23 The Cricket Centre
Plough Lane, Wallington SM6 8JQ
Modern timber-clad community pavilion, designed for the Change Foundation by David Morley Architects, opened 2004. Serves ground formerly used by Post Office Engineers.

31.0 Tower Hamlets

31.1 York Hall exterior
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31.1 York Hall Leisure Centre

Old Ford Road, Bethnal Green E2 9PL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: boxing, swimming
Owner: LB of Tower Hamlets
Date: 1929
Designation: Grade II (28.11.2013)
List entry: 1412973
NGR: TQ 34981 83066
Conservation Area: Bethnal Green Gardens

Notes: Substantial Neo-Georgian baths and laundry complex by AE Darby (Bethnal Green Borough Engineer), named after Duke of York who performed opening ceremony. Gala pool 90' x 40' with gallery on three sides, boarded over permanently c.1950, since when pool hall mainly celebrated as boxing venue. Entrance and concourse areas rich with detail inc. Art Deco ticket kiosks. Basement Turkish Baths upgraded to health spa 2008. Second pool originally 75' x 31', replaced by 33m length pool in 1967, not part of listing.

31.2 Poplar Baths exterior
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31.2 Poplar Baths

East India Dock Road, Poplar E14 0ED

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Tower Hamlets
Date: 1934
Designation: Grade II (11.1.2001)
List entry: 1334939
NGR: TQ 37925 80963
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Brutalist baths complex by Harley Heckford and RW Stanton (Poplar Borough Engineer and Chief Assistant). Brown brick, Egyptian-style entrance block with three towers, steel framed panels in centre bays. Pool hall at rear features pool 100' x 40', with reinforced concrete hyperbolic frame as seen at Royal Horticultural Hall and Seymour Leisure Centre (8.12), flanked by stepped clerestory windows. Complex closed 1988. Listed on HAR 2014, awaiting redevelopment as leisure centre and residential.

31.3 Tiller Leisure Centre exterior
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31.3 Tiller Leisure Centre, former Island Baths
Tiller Road, Docklands E14 8PX

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gym
Owner: LB of Tower Hamlets
Date: 1966
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37408 79336
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Utilitarian rectilinear baths complex by Adams Holden & Pearson. Reinforced concrete frame with grey-brown brick infill, flat roofs, aluminium windows. Two storey entrance block with pool at rear (originally 82'6" x 35' with 200 seat gallery and copper roof cladding to sides). Former slipper baths area, laundry and function hall now gym and fitness studios.

31.4 Grandstand at Mile End Stadium
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31.4 Mile End Park Stadium and Leisure Centre
190 Burdett Road, Mile End E3 4HL

Club: various
Sport/s: athletics, football, plus swimming, diving in leisure centre
Owner: LB of Tower Hamlets
Date: stadium 1967, leisure centre 2006
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 36489 81817
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Local authority athletics track built on area cleared after wartime bombing, endowed as King George's Field 1952 (see 31.10). Single 400 seat steel and concrete cantilevered stand b.1967 when facility renamed East London Stadium, subsequently Mile End Stadium c.1990. Modern leisure centre on east side of track houses two pools.

31.5 St George's Leisure Centre exterior
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31.5 St George's Leisure Centre
221 The Highway, Wapping E1W 3BP

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, diving, gym
Owner: LB of Tower Hamlets
Date: 1969
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 34846 80784
Conservation Area: St George in the East

Notes: Rectilinear baths complex by Slater & Uren, set in grounds of Hawksmoor's Grade 1 St George's in the East. Exterior appears as office/commercial development. Ground floor, mainly windowless exterior in engineering brick with single storey extension to west (with former sun bathing terrace on flat roof), forming pedestal for three storey pool hall formed by bands of mosaic panelling and glazing designed to maximise light and reduce pollution from road level. Two pools: main pool originally 33m x 49', reflecting period when metric and imperial dimensions co-existed, with diving boards (now rare in London pools), two levels of spectator gallery on all four sides, concrete shell barrelled roof. On ground floor, to east, single storey children's pool (41'3" x 20'). Small entrance lobby to rear.

31.6 Poplar, Blackwall & District Rowing Club
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31.6 Poplar, Blackwall & District Rowing Club
Ferry Street E14 3DT

Club: Poplar, Blackwall & District Rowing Club (f. c.1854-1868)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: private club
Date: 1970
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TW 38260 78285
Conservation Area: Island Gardens

Notes: Reinforced concrete clubhouse by ES Boyer & Partners on two stepped levels, entered from rear (north), with boat storage on ground floor leading to concrete slipway. Club and function rooms on upper floor, with river facing balcony (views of Greenwich on opposite riverbank). Flat roof. Rowing club is thought to be third oldest in London, on site since 1937.

Also in Tower Hamlets

31.7 Date stone and sign of the former Goulston Street Baths, Whitechapel, now integrated within modern building on site
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31.7 former Goulston Street Baths
25 Old Castle Street, Whitechapel E1 7NT
Date stone and inscribed stonework preserved from original Whitechapel Baths and Wash-House, b.1846 as Model Baths by Mansion House Committee. Subsequently extended with swimming pools 1890, rebuilt 1896 and 1962 (following bomb damage). Buildings converted into Women' Library (2002-2012) by Wright & Wright Architects. Owned by London Metropolitan University.

31.8 Repton Boxing Club (f.1884)
Cheshire Street E2 6ED
Noted London boxing club based since 1978 in former wash-house area of Cheshire Street Baths, b.1899. Grade II (listing no. 1357782). Conservation area: Brick Lane & Fournier Street.

31.9 Victoria Park Harriers & Tower Hamlets Athletic Club
St Augustine's Hall, Victoria Park
Late C19 brick school hall occupied as clubhouse since 1962 by Victoria Park Harriers (f.1926), merged with Tower Hamlets Athletics Club (f.1976) in 2001. Victoria Park Conservation Area.

31.10 King George's Field / Mile End Park (endowed 1952)
Rhodeswell Road E14 7TW
62 acre site endowed by King George's Fields Foundation, commemorating George V. Features brick gates with heraldic panels in stone. Note: 471 sites were endowed 1935-65, inc. 31 in London and five other smaller sites in Tower Hamlets.

31.11 Gymnasium inside former machine-tool workshop at John Orwell Sports Centre
© English Heritage Archive

31.11 John Orwell Sports Centre
Tench Street, Wapping E1W 2QD
Locally listed sports centre, innovative conservation scheme opened 1980 in curved, single storey brick, former dock building (a machine-tool workshop). Conversion by Shepheard Epstein & Hunter, linked to modern sports hall and outdoor pitches laid on former basin area. Wapping Pierhead Conservation Area.

31.12 Docklands Sailing & Watersports Centre
235a Westferry Road, Isle of Dogs E14 3QS
Distinctive concrete, steel and glazed clubhouse on west end of Millwall Dock, by Kit Allsopp Architects, opened 1989. Three storeys in centre, with boat storage on ground floor, club rooms above. Shallow low pitched roof overhangs south end, forming sheltered zone.

32.0 Waltham Forest

32.1 Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge
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32.1 Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge
8 Rangers Road, Chingford E4 7QH

Club: n/a
Sport/s: deer hunting
Owner: City of London Corporation
Date: 1542-43
Designation: Grade II* (28.6.1954)
List entry: 1293481
NGR: TQ 39724 94776
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Three storey timber-framed hunting lodge, with tiled roof, formerly known as the Great Standing, much altered in C19. Served as museum since 1895.

32.2 Pavilion at Leyton County Cricket Ground
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32.2 Leyton County Cricket Ground pavilion
Crawley Road, Leyton E10 6RJ

Club: Leyton County Cricket Club and others
Sport/s: cricket
Owner: LB of Waltham Forest
Date: 1886
Designation: Grade II (29.4.1999)
List entry: 1386803
NGR: TQ 37904 87214
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Substantial and recently restored half-timbered two-storey pavilion with tiled roofs and single-storey flanking pavilions, by Richard Creed, with 1935 alterations. Serves ground laid out in 1883 by Lord Lyttleton, used by Essex County Cricket Club 1885–1933, Metropolitan Police 1933-38. Since owned by local authority. Pavilion now used as youth and community centre with limited cricket use in summer. Also on site on north east corner (Brewster Road) former pavilion and green of West Essex Bowling Club (1923-2010).

32.3 King William IV, former billiard room
816 High Road, Leyton E10 6AE

Club: n/a
Sport/s: billiards, snooker
Owner: Brodie's Brewery
Date: 1896
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 37911 88094
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Single storey billiard room with clerestory windows, attached to highly decorative late Victorian gin palace, by architects WG Shoebridge & HW Rising (see also 26.2). Now general bar area.

32.4 Embassy Snooker Club, on upper floor of former Burton's Outfitters, Walthamstow
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32.4 Embassy Snooker Club
2-4 High Street, Walthamstow E17 7LD

Club: Embassy Snooker Club (f. c.1977)
Sport/s: billiards, snooker, pool
Owner: private company
Date: 1931-32
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 36363 88795
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Three storey concrete frame with white faience and Egyptian details, foundation stone dated 1931. Typical of Burton's in-house architect N Martin, but rare example of one where snooker club still operates on upper floor. Burton's Outfitters encouraged snooker clubs to hire space above shops to increase trade and provide somewhere for men to wait while alterations were made to their suits.

32.5 former Walthamstow Stadium entrance & Tote board © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

32.5 Walthamstow Greyhound Stadium, former entrance range and Tote board

Chingford Road, Walthamstow E4 8SJ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: greyhound racing
Owner: London & Quadrant Group
Date: 1935 with 1950s neon sign
Designation: Grade II (23.5.2007)
List entry: 1391978
NGR: TQ 37467 91189
Conservation area: n/a

Notes: Reinforced concrete entrance range to stadium, built by Thomas & Edge (Woolwich), with covered car park on ground floor. Prominent totalisator (or Tote) board in centre features neon sign on south face, added c.1951-52. North face carried Tote information and race results. Decorative steelwork added 1980s. Since closure of stadium in 2008 buildings to be integrated within residential development of site.

32.6 Walthamstow Greyhound Stadium, former kennels

Chingford Road, Walthamstow E4 8SJ

Club: n/a
Sport/s: greyhound racing
Owner: London & Quadrant Group
Date: 1935
Designation: Grade II (23.5.2007)
List entry: 1391977
NGR: TQ 37717 91288
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Range of concrete kennels at east end of former greyhound track, cranked from centre with octagonal kiosks at both ends, with tiled peaked roofs, and small Tote Board in centre. Since closure of stadium in 2008 buildings to be integrated within residential development of site.

32.7 Lee Valley Riding Centre exterior
© Andy Howe / Lee Valley Regional Park Authority

32.7 Lee Valley Riding Centre riding arena
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32.7 Lee Valley Riding Centre

Porters Field, Lea Bridge Rd E10 7QL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: horse riding
Owner: Lee Valley Regional Park Authority
Date: 1973
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 35796 87113
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Low rise brick riding centre with double height steel frame indoor riding arena with clear openings to side and north end. Timber clad stables and stalls at rear with steel profile roofing. Designed by LVRPA architects JMV Bishop and MG Quintin.

32.8 Lee Valley Ice Centre
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32.8 Lee Valley Ice Centre

Lea Bridge Road E10 7QL

Club: Lee Valley Lions
Sport/s: ice skating, ice hockey
Owner: Lee Valley Regional Park Authority
Date: 1984
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 35638 86787
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Striking minimalist steel frame structure with clear span vaulted roof clad in profiled steel. Housing 56m x 26m ice pad, café, shop and seating for 1,000 spectators, designed by Building Design Partnership.

Also in Waltham Forest:

32.9 Walthamstow Cricket, Tennis & Squash Club (f.1862)
Buck Walk Ground, off Wood Street E17 3QN
Historic club based on site since 1910. Brick pavilion dates from mid 1950s.

32.10 1930s section of Royal Epping Forest Golf Club clubhouse © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

32.10 Royal Epping Forest Golf Club (f.1888)
Forest Approach, Chingford E4 7AZ
Historic golf club playing on course laid out within Epping Forest. Originally based at Royal Forest Hotel on Rangers Road. Single storey c.1930s clubhouse with c.1980s two storey extension.

32.11 Elms recreation ground / Douglas Eyre playing fields
Coppermill Lane, Walthamstow E17 7HE
Playing field endowed 1896 by Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths, renamed 1936 after Douglas Eyre of London Playing Fields Society. Brick pavilion b.1989. Used by various local clubs, inc. Old Parmiterians FC (f.1898).

32.12 Hare and Hounds football ground
282 Lea Bridge Road, Leyton E10 7DN
Basic ground laid out 1901 at rear of Hare and Hounds pub by Leyton FC (f.1868). Various tenants since. Closed c.2011, future uncertain. No buildings of historic interest.

32.13 Matchroom Stadium, Brisbane Road
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32.13 Brisbane Road / Matchroom Stadium
Brisbane Road, Leyton E10 5NF
Football ground on site owned by LB of Waltham Forest, originally called Osborne Road. Laid out in 1905 by Leyton FC (see 32.12), used also by Bryant & May works teams before Clapton (now Leyton) Orient took on lease in 1937. Main Stand re-erected from Mitcham Greyhound Stadium 1956. Three other stands b.1999-2008. Capacity 9,271.

32.14 Orford House Social Club and Bowls Club (f.1921)
73 Orford Road, Walthamstow E17 9QR
Georgian stuccoed villa c.1802, Grade II (list no. 1065597). Converted to social club 1921. Bowling green at rear.

32.15 George White sports ground (b.1923)
Billet Road, Walthamstow E17 5DL
Local authority sports ground with c.1920s basic single storey brick pavilion, tiled roof and detached toilet block. Ground named after long serving groundsman.

32.16 Chingford Golf Club (f.1923)
158 Station Road E4 6AN
Artisan golf club playing on Epping Forest golf course, based in late C19 terraced house.

32.17 Chingford Ladies Golf Club (f.1925)
18a Beresford Road, Chingford E4 6ED
Rare surviving ladies-only golf club, playing on Epping Forest golf course, based in single storey clubhouse at rear of houses on Beresford Road.

32.18 Wadham Lodge sports ground
Brookscroft Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JP
Sports ground laid out in 1930 with various buildings, inc. half-timbered pre-war bowls pavilion (c.1930) and two storey brick pavilion (c.1930 with post war extensions). Also on site enclosed football ground, not of historic interest.

32.19 Low Hall sports ground
Lower Access Road, Walthamstow E17 8AX
Local authority sports ground laid out c.1935 with large functional postwar pavilion.

32.20 former Britannia sports ground pavilion
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32.20 former Britannia sports ground pavilion
Academy Road, Walthamstow E17 5DP
Two storey white stuccoed brick pavilion with tiled roof built c.1930 for Britannia Club (formed by staff at Bank of England printworks). Now within grounds of Walthamstow Academy.

32.21 Rolls sports ground
Hickman Avenue, Highams Park E4 9JG
Collection of pitches and pavilions, including West Essex Cricket Club (f.1921). No buildings of historic interest.

32.22 Chingford Bowling Club (f.1929)
Memorial Park, Chingford Mount Road E4 8ND
Bowls club in public park with basic single storey clubhouse.

32.23 Aveling Park Bowling Cub (f.1930)
Lloyd Park, Forest Road Walthamstow E17 4PP
Bowling green in public park (opened 1900) with single storey modern clubhouse. Walthamstow Borough Bowling Club play on adjoining artificial green with separate clubhouse b.2012.

32.24 Silverthorn Bowling Club (f.1938)
Inks Green, Ropers Avenue, Chingford E4 9EJ
Postwar single storey clubhouse serving green laid out as part of residential estate. Roper's Field Conservation Area.

32.25 Hale End sports ground pavilion
99 Wadham Road, Upper Walthamstow E17 4LU
Utilitarian two storey brick pavilion b.1957 for London Hospital Medical College, occupied since 2001 by Arsenal FC Academy. Also on site David Rocastle Indoor Centre b.2006.

32.26 Waltham Forest Pool
170 Chingford Road, Walthamstow E17 5AA
Utilitarian leisure centre b. 1966. Scheduled for redevelopment 2014-15.

32.27 Waterworks Golf Centre
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32.27 Waterworks Golf Centre
Lammas Road E10 7NU
Public golf centre serving nine hole course laid out in 1972 on former waterworks operated by Metropolitan Board of Works. Interesting cable suspended netted enclosure for golf driving. Adjoining clubhouse and visitor centre for nature reserve b.2002 for Lee Valley Regional Park Authority by Andris Berzins Architects.

32.28 Leytonstone Leisure Centre, formerly Cathall LC
Cathall Road Leytonstone E11 4LA
Opened 1979. Rectilinear concrete and brick leisure centre, designed by Borough Architect NP Astins with 25m pool and children's pool. Also on site pump from Artesian well which served original public baths on site (1902-77).

32.29 Leyton Lagoon Leisure Centre
763 High Road, Leyton E10 5AB
Hi-tech leisure centre by Borough Architects Department opened 1991, with series of glazed bays to front and rear formed by steel supports topped by octagonal roof lights. Includes leisure pool with flume, typical of era.

32.30 Peter May Sports Centre
135 Wadham Road, Walthamstow E17 4HR
Modern sports centre b.2000 at Wadham Lodge playing fields, laid out in 1930s.

32.31 Chingford Leisure Centre
Larkswood Leisure Park, New Road, Chingford E4 9EY
Modern leisure centre with 25m pool, b. 2002 on site of Larkswood Lido (1936-88).

33.0 Wandsworth

33.1 London Rowing Club, Putney Embankment
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33.1 London Rowing Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: London Rowing Club (f.1856)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: London Rowing Club
Date: 1871
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23778 75924
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Grandest and furthest east of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment owned by oldest senior rowing club on Thames Tideway. Designed by club member George Dunnage, extended by four bays to current width c.1905. Four storey London stock brick with polychromatic details. Ground floor boat storage. First floor clubrooms lead onto viewing balcony (modern replacement). Third floor is cutaway in style of C19 racecourse grandstand to create open viewing terrace with original ironwork railings, used by spectators at University Boat Race. Fourth floor offices and accommodation. Numerous historic artefacts and displays throughout boathouse. Interior refurbished 2006.

33.2 King's College School Boat Club, Putney Embankment © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.2 King's College School Boat Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: King's College School Boat Club (f.1890)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: King's College School
Date: 1970
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23760 75947
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Second of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Three storey modern rectilinear brick and concrete boathouse built by Barclays Bank for members of their rowing club (f.1919). Purchased by school 1993. Ground floor boat storage in three bays. Second and third storeys stepped back from rear, with flat roof terraces behind. Cantilevered concrete slab shelters first floor viewing balcony, accessed from main clubrooms. Boathouse best known as headquarters of Cambridge crew on day of University Boat Race.

33.3 HSBC Rowing Club, Putney Embankment
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33.3 HSBC Rowing Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: HSBC Rowing Club
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: HSBC
Date: 1955
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23751 75960
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Third of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Narrow two storey unadorned concrete boathouse with flat roof. Two bay boat storage on ground floor, club rooms above. Built by Midland Bank Rowing Club (f.1878, moved to site 1926).

33.4 Dulwich College Boat Club, Putney Embankment © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.4 Dulwich College Boat Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Dulwich College Boat Club (f.1989)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Dulwich College
Date: unknown
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23745 75964
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Fourth of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Narrow two storey unadorned boathouse with pitched metal profile roof. Boat storage on ground floor, club rooms above.

33.5 Crabtree boathouse, Putney Embankment
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33.5 Crabtree Boat Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Crabtree Boat Club (f.1997) / Bosporus Boat Club
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Crabtree Boat Club
Date: c.1923
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23737 75974
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Fifth of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Narrow two storey brick with pedimented gable. Boat storage in single bay, club rooms above with spiral stairs giving access to ornate covered iron balcony. Possibly built by Lensbury Rowing Club (f.1921 for staff of Shell).

33.6 former JH Clasper boatbuilders, now Westminster School boathouse, Putney Embankment © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.6 Westminster School Boat Club boathouse

Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Westminster School Boat Club (f.1813)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Westminster School
Date: c.1860-80
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23735 75981
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Sixth of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Narrow two storey brick boathouse with two bay boat storage and attic floor, built for celebrated boatbuilder JH Glasper (1835-1908), whose name is picked out in redbrick on gable. Occupied since c.1930 by Westminster School Boat Club, Britain's oldest known boat club. To west, modern two storey breeze block extension with sail roof and external steel staircase added 1997. Boathouse also used as Oxford crew's headquarters on University Boat Race day.

33.7 Ranelagh Sailing Club, Putney Embankment © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.7 Ranelagh Sailing Club boathouse

Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Ranelagh Sailing Club (f.1889)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Ranelagh Sailing Club
Date: c.1870s
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23720 75996
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Seventh of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Three storey brick with pedimented gable. Originally Unity Boat House, occupied by celebrated boatbuilders, Phelps. Shared with Vesta RC 1875-90 (see 33.8), then Ranelagh SC (only sailing club in Putney, formed by members of Ranelagh Polo Club, based across Thames nr. Hurlingham). Three bay boat storage on ground floor. First floor column-supported extension added 1960s after Ranelagh bought freehold in 1951.

33.8 Vesta Rowing Club, Putney Embankment
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33.8 Vesta Rowing Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Vesta Rowing Club (f.1871)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Vesta Rowing Club
Date: 1890
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23704 76004
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Eighth of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Detached two storey stock brick boathouse with two bay boat storage at front. First floor window keystones picked out in white, supported on ornate iron columns. Dentil string courses above, flat roof. Display of artefacts in spacious club room, leading to modern replacement balcony. Utilitarian brick boat shed and outbuildings to rear, modern steel frame boatyard extension to east.

33.9 Thames Rowing Club, Putney Embankment
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33.9 Thames Rowing Club boathouse
Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Thames Rowing Club (f.1860)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Thames Rowing Club
Date: 1879
Designation: locally listed
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23686 76036
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Ninth of ten boathouses on Putney Embankment. Two storey brick colonial-style pavilion frontage with tiled roof, designed by HT Sugden, substantially refurbished 2011 by Panter Hudspith Architects as club headquarters and for function hire, with full height first floor Great Hall lit from clerestory windows. New weatherboarding, steel balcony and metal framed bay windows along riverfront and return on Rotherwood Road. Boating activities (gyms, workshops, rowing tank) concentrated at rear in Burroughs Building, b.2005.

33.10 Imperial College boathouse, Putney Embankment © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.10 Imperial College Boat Club boathouse

Putney Embankment SW15 1LB

Club: Imperial College Boat Club (f.1919)
Sport/s: rowing
Owner: Imperial College
Date: 1938
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23673 76055
Conservation Area: Putney Embankment

Notes: Most westerly of club boathouses on Putney Embankment. Designed by Brian Sutcliffe (see 19.6) in crisp Moderne style, with overhanging Crittall bay windows and wavy render at mid-level. Two bay boat storage on ground floor. Flat roof. Modern extension to west by John McAslan, b.2000.

33.11 Tooting Bec Lido from south east corner
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33.11 Tooting Bec Lido original southern entrance
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33.11 Tooting Bec Lido aerator fountain, b.1931 with café, b.1936, in background
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33.11 Tooting Bec Lido

Tooting Bec Road SW16 1RU

Club: South London Swimming Club (f.1906)
Sport/s: swimming
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 1906
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 29456 71981
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Oldest and largest outdoor swimming pool in London, built by LCC using unemployed labour. Unheated pool open 365 days a year, 300' x 100', able to accommodate 1,400 swimmers. Basic timber frame changing cubicles line east and west side, with multi-coloured doors. Wedding cake aerator fountain added at north end, 1931, in front of Art Deco concrete café added 1936. Paddling pool in north east corner of site. Original entrance at southern end with three brick arches set in embankment created from excavated spoil, scheduled for modernisation by David Gibson Architects 2015. New main entrance and services to north west by WM Architects, b.2002, with three round ended kiosks, concrete with glass bricks and overhead steel signage.

33.12 Balham Leisure Centre
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33.12 Balham Leisure Centre

Elmfield Road, Balham SW17 8AN

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, gymnasium
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 1915 with extensions
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28527 72954
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Public baths complex on irregularly shaped backland site between housing, by Gavin SN Cooke & WN Twist for Wandsworth Borough Council. English Renaissance-style entrance block with foundation stone now partially obscured by glazed entrance. Single pool to rear (100' x 30', converted to 25m 1986) has stepped seating to side of pool, originally topped by demountable changing cubicles, a layout popular in early C20. Segmented arch plastered ceiling. Various extensions to west and north dated 1919, 1925 and postwar. Complex refurbished 1984-86, 2001 and 2014-15.

33.13 Battersea Park bowls pavilion
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33.13 Battersea Park bowls pavilion

Battersea Park SW11 4NJ

Club: Battersea Park Bowling Club (f.1891)
Sport/s: bowls
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 1930
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28041 77150
Conservation Area: Battersea Park

Notes: Typical LCC designed bowls pavilion on north side of green laid out in c.1890 (one of first in a London public park). Single storey brick with tiled roof, verandah, clubroom and changing rooms.

33.14 Tooting Bec athletics track pavilion
© LB of Wandsworth

33.14 Tooting Bec athletics track pavilion and gymnasium

Tooting Bec Road SW17 3NP

Club: Herne Hill Harriers (f.1889)
Sport/s: athletics
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 1937
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28915 71809
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Typical LCC designed vernacular style brick pavilion with large central block, clay tiled roof and clock tower, flanked by single storey gable ended wings. Identical to Ladywell pavilion of same year (24.6). Extra wings in complementary materials b.1984 housing gym and fitness studio. Track originally cinder, replaced by artificial surface in 1985.

33.15 Bank of England Sports Club pavilion after its completion in 1956
© AF Coldicott / Bank of England Sports Club

33.15 Bank of England Sports Hall and Swimming Pool after its completion in 1970
© Bank of England Sports Club

33.15 Bank of England Sports Centre

Priory Lane, off Bank Lane, Roehampton SW15 5JQ

Club: Bank of England Sports Centre (f.1908)
Sport/s: football, cricket, tennis
Owner: private club
Date: pavilion 1956, sports hall and swimming pool 1970
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 21350 74849
Conservation Area: n/a

Notes: Extensive sports ground (32 acres) laid out by sports club of the Bank of England, served by interconnected range of three, two storey chalet-style brick pavilions b.1956, with central block with pedimented gable, flanked by canted blocks with dormers (originally for men's and women's sections). Each block with deep tiled pitched roofs, weatherboarding and ground floor verandahs facing pitches to west, since glazed in. To rear, concrete and steel sports hall (120' x 60') and swimming pool (66' x 30') b.1970, with glazed end wall, to rear. All buildings by Peter Ednie & Partners. Also on site squash courts b.1980. Club reconsituted for open membership in 1995.

33.16 Putney Leisure Centre, Dryburgh Road
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33.16 Putney Leisure Centre
Dryburgh Road SW15 1BL

Club: n/a
Sport/s: swimming, diving, gym
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 1968
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 23134 75453
Conservation Area: Landford Road

Notes: Set in gardens fronting Upper Richmond Road, exemplary 1960s pool complex by Powell & Moya, consisting of linked blocks housing functions suites and meeting rooms (Dryburgh Halls), a reception area, teaching pool (42' x 24') and an L shaped main pool (33m x 42' plus diving bay 42'6" x 34'6" with boards of 5m, 3m and 1m – exemplifying period when metric and imperial measurements were mixed). Laminated seats for 368 spectators at first floor level on two side of pool. In corner gap formed by L shaped pool – originally glazed and looking out over garden – glazed spa area added on ground floor c.1989, fitness suite above. Pool roof consists of V-shaped white concrete beams with clerestory glazing all round. Reception and café area remodelled with aluminium clad oval tower by Pozzoni Architects 2001-06. Despite alterations a still fine example of pool design from a period when many pools were seriously flawed.

33.17 Millennium Arena pavilion, Battersea Park
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33.17 Millennium Arena pavilion
Battersea Park, Albert Bridge Road SW11 4NJ

Club: Belgrave Harriers (f.1887)
Sport/s: athletics, tennis, football, netball, gymnasium
Owner: LB of Wandsworth
Date: 2000
Designation: unlisted
List entry: n/a
NGR: TQ 28367 77389
Conservation Area: Battersea Park

Notes: Attractive steel frame, two storey pavilion in three bays with profile steel vaulted roof, timber weatherboarding exterior and steel balcony overlooking athletics track. Dressing rooms on ground floor, fitness suite and café on upper floor. Serves athletics track originally laid out in 1920s on a recreation area with important historic associations. Park opened 1858. Earliest cricket recorded 1860, first ever trial of Football Association rules January 1864. Current track surface dates from 2000.

Also in Wandsworth:

33.18 Heathfield Bowling Club (f.1900)
17 Sandgate Lane SW18 3JP
Bowling green with single storey pavilion b.1968. Site occupied by club since 1924. Second green, tennis courts and croquet green built over by neighbouring housing.

33.19 South London Bowling Club (f.1900)
19 Lyford Road, Wandsworth Common SW18 3LU
Bowling green with single storey pavilion b.2006. Site occupied since 1900.

33.20 Roehampton Club (f.1902)
Roehampton Lane SW15 5LR
Historic sports club set in 100 acres, formed for polo (last played on site 1956). Facilities added since include tennis, golf course (1904, expanded to 18 holes 1911), croquet (1904), squash (1925). Open air swimming pool operated on site (1934-66), now flats on Woking Close. Polo ground leased to Rosslyn Park RFC 1957 (33.24). Curent clubhouse b.1969, designed by Scott Brownrigg & Turner architects. Indoor tennis centre b.1983. Indoor 25m swimming pool b.1989.

33.21 Putney Town Bowls Club (f.1914)
Commondale, Putney SW15 1HS
Bowling green with two storey brick pavilion c.1960s

33.22 Pavilion at Richardson Evans Memorial Playing Fields © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.22 Richardson Evans Memorial Ground pavilion
Roehampton Vale SW15 3PQ
Two storey pavilion serving playing fields laid out within Wimbledon and Putney Commons c.1925-31 as war memorial. Named after benefactor. Vernacular style brick with three gable ends (southern section rebuilt), tiled roofs, dormers and two verandahs. Used by various clubs, inc. Old Thorntonians FC (f.1928), London Cornish RFC (f.1962), schools, and Australian Rules football. Stone plaque in clubroom to benefactors.

33.23 Wandle Recreation Centre
Mapleton Road, Wandsworth SW18 4DN
Surviving vernacular-style buildings from Wandle Lido b.1938, consisting of two single storey brick wings with tiled roofs, flanking two storey pavilion entrance. Lido closed 1993, pool area infilled, now artificial sports pitches. Other public recreational facilities survive in adjoining King George's Park.

33.24 Grandstand at Rosslyn Park Rugby Football Club © Simon Inglis / Played in Britain

33.24 Rosslyn Park Rugby Club (f.1879)
Upper Richmond Road, Roehampton SW15 5JH
Basic 2,000 capacity ground of historic rugby club, leased since 1957 from adjoining Roehampton Club (33.20), who used site for tennis and polo. Utilitarian 350 seat steel and timber grandstand on south side, basic narrow cover on north side. Single storey brick clubhouse with two storey extension behind west touchline.

33.25 Tooting Leisure Centre
Greaves Place, Tooting SW17 0NE
Substantial leisure centre with 33m pool and learner pool b.1977. Adjoining leisure centre added 1987, including sports hall, function rooms, gym, fitness centre and creche. Refurbished and extended by Pozzoni Architects c.2001 with angular glazed and aluminium clad entrance area.

33.26 Latchmere Leisure Centre
Burns Road, Battersea SW11 5AD
Modern yellow brick and steel leisure centre, b.1983, designed by Borough Architect R Child, on site of extensive public baths complex (1889-91), serving adjacent early C20 Latchmere Estate (Conservation Area). Two pools (25m freeform leisure pool, 15m learner pool), sports hall, gym, fitness studios. Sports hall and squash courts added 1985. New reception area with aluminium-clad oval tower by Pozzoni Architects.

33.27 Central London Golf Centre
Burntwood Lane, Wandsworth SW17 0AT
Nine hole golf course laid out 1989 within Grade II listed grounds of Springfield Hospital (list no 1001601). Brick clubhouse with floodlit driving range.

33.28 Interior of National Tennis Centre
© Lawn Tennis Association

33.28 National Tennis Centre, Roehampton
100 Priory Lane, Roehampton SW15 5JQ
Modern tennis centre built 2006-07 in grounds of Bank of England Sports Centre (33.15). Includes striking dome for indoor courts by Michael Hopkins architects. Centre houses offices of Lawn Tennis Association (formerly at Queen's Club, 14.3).

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